

# Year 1

## Curriculum Newsletter

### Key Dates and Reminders

- **Both classes: PE is on a Friday.** Children will need to wear their PE kit to school on a Friday.
- **Both classes:** Music with our music specialist on a Friday, every other week.
- **Library visits: Wednesday 22nd April and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**
- **Armstrong class assembly Monday 13th April at 2.30pm.**

### Welcome back Year 1!

Summer 1, can you believe it? We hope that you had a fantastic Easter break and feel rested and ready for the term ahead. We have some amazing learning in store this term so let's have a look...

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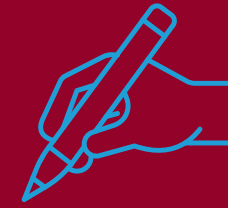


# Our learning this half term...



## Reading

Year 1 have an incredible core text that they will be reading called "There's a ran tan in my bedroom" which looks at the dangers of deforestation and how it impacts orangutans.



## Writing

Children will be developing their letter writing skills using their knowledge and understanding of their global goal "Life on land". They will also be focusing on sentence structure and how to improve and up level their writing in a fun and engaging way.



## Maths

In maths the children will be looking at a variety of areas including fractions, mass and volume. They will be carrying these out in a practical way!



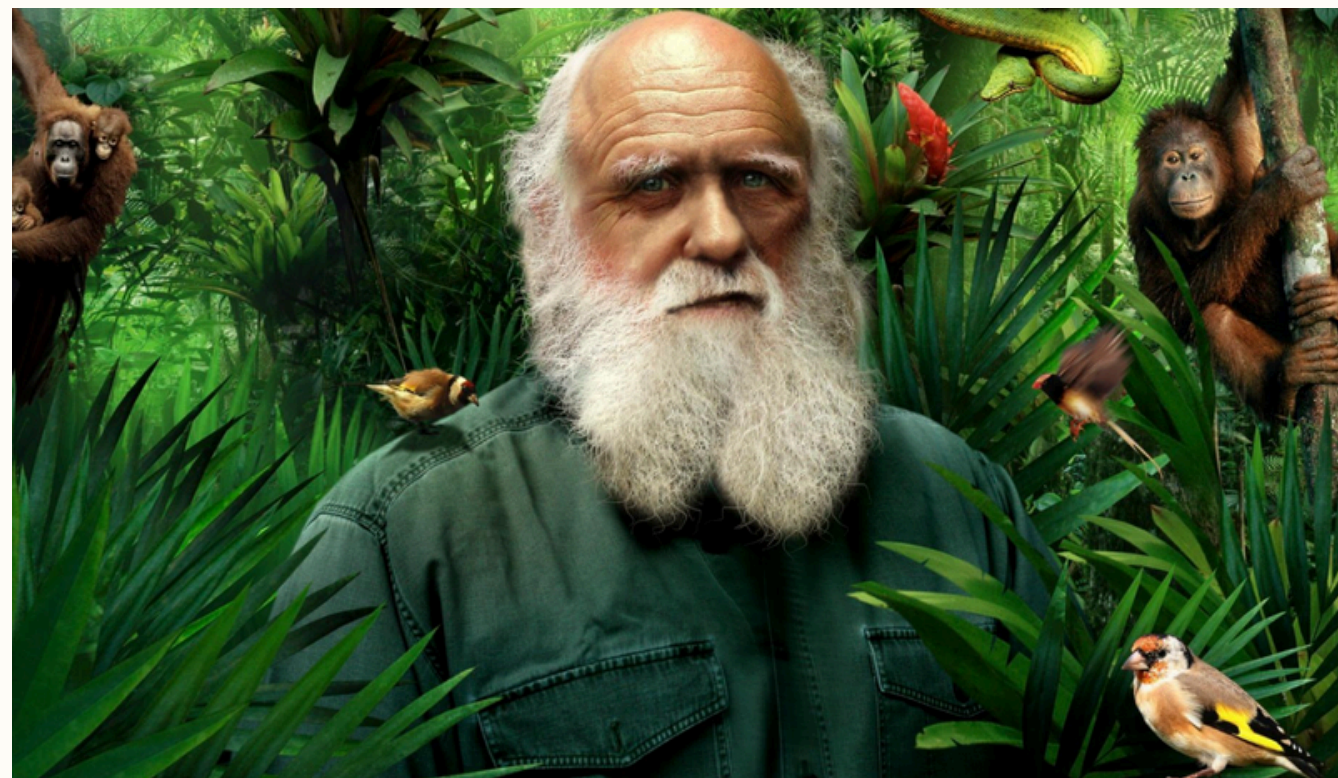
## Science

Year 1 have a new subject that they will be looking at in science. Everyday materials. Looking at the world around them and defining materials by their properties and discussing what they are used for.

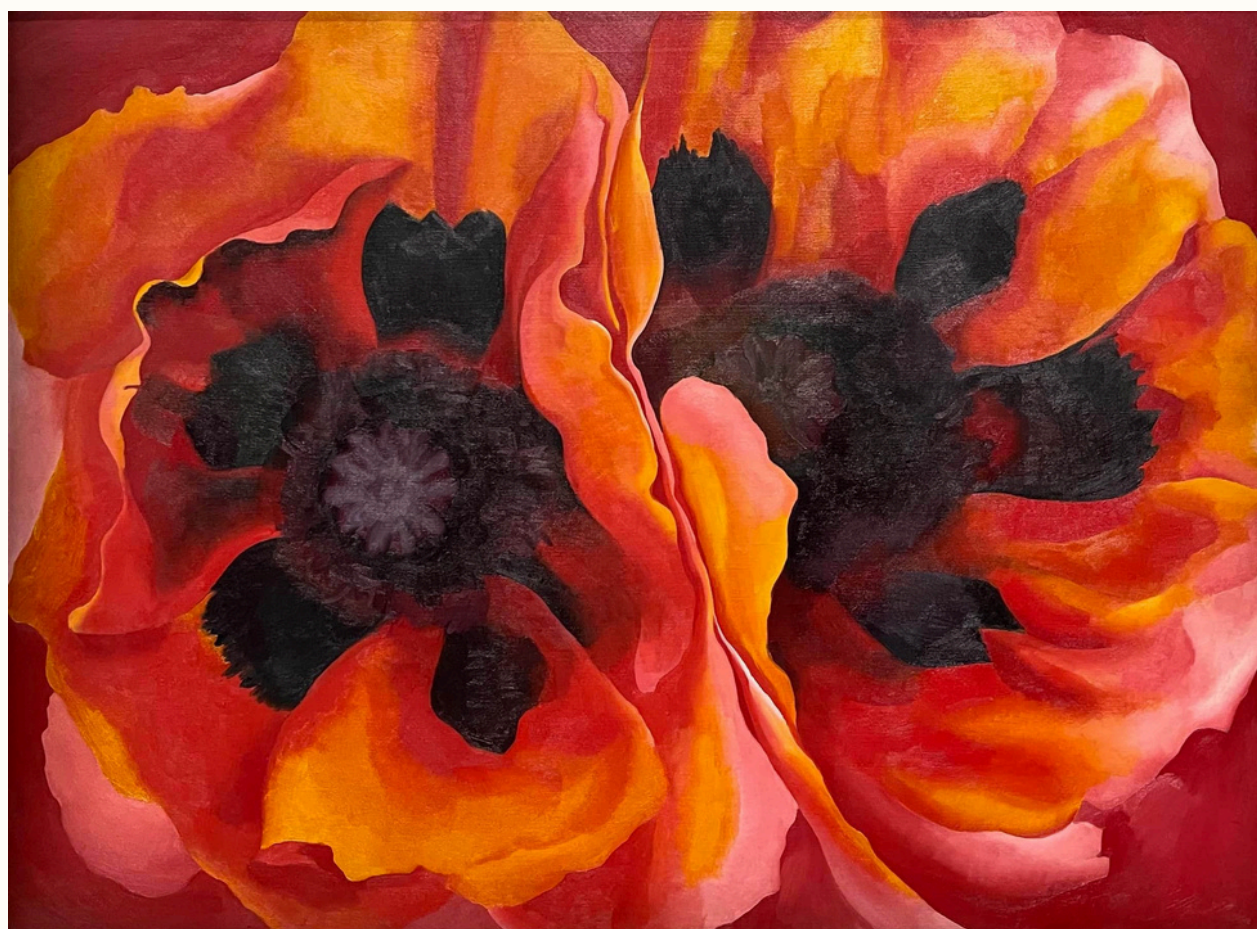


## History

In year 1 the children will be learning about Charles Darwin with a focus on him as a Victorian scientist. When he went to the Galapagos islands how did he carry out research, what was science like in the Victorian era, were there any obstacles?

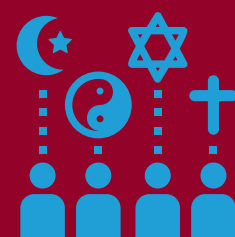


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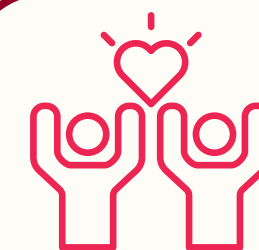
## Art

We are looking at our love for flowers this term. The children will look at the artist Georgia O'Keeffe, observe how she created large scale flowers and use oil pastels to blend bold, vivid colours using oil pastels.



## RE

In RE we are learning about sacred books. We start the unit looking at Christianity and the bible, thinking about the messages and meaning behind parables.



## PSHE

In PSHE we are looking at who keeps us safe. Focusing on adults inside of school, adults outside of school and what to do if they get lost.



## PE

In PE we are focusing on athletics. The children will learn to improve their posture when running and moving in a coordinated way.



## COMPUTING

We will be using the laptops this term to create pictograms. We will have the opportunity to analyse the data and compare between the two classes,



## Music

In Music the children will listen to and appraise classical music. The children will use instruments to join in with the music they listen to and improvise with their voices.

# Learning at Home



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Please continue to use reading eggs. During celebration assembly there will be certificates and a reading eggs trophy for the class that has made the most progress!

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For more details on what your child is learning this half term check out our year group Medium Term Plan

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Sundog tasks will be set, each week, and a spelling sheet will be sent home weekly to be completed.



Reading records will be checked and books changed on a **Tuesday** and a **Friday**. The children are free to visit the school library before/after school, at lunchtime and we will visit as a whole class twice a term.

