

Little Thurrock Primary Curriculum Overview

Year 1		
Subject	Learning Challenge Question	Learning focus
Geography WSF	Where am I in the world?	This whole school topic focusses on finding out about the children's class country. Where it is in the world, customs, weather and climate, food and much more!
Geography/History	Where would you take an alien to visit in our local area?	This topic has a Geography/History focus. Children will be exploring and learning about their surroundings at school and the features of their local area. It will also explore what the local area was like in the past and how it has changed.
History WSF	What put Essex on the map?	This unit provides an opportunity for the children to discover more about the history of Essex and what or who from the past had an impact upon the local area.
Science	What's that crunching under my feet?	This topic has a science focus. Children will be exploring seasonal changes and will be focussing on Autumn and the changes that occur.
RE WSF	What makes a time special?	In this whole school focus the children will explore significant events that happen around this time of year.
Science	Why doesn't a mouse have wings?	This is a science based topic that explores common birds and animals. It teaches the children about the parts of animals and how animals are suited to their environment.
Geography	What makes an island?	This is a topic with a Geography focus. It explores the four countries in the United Kingdom and their characteristics.
History	How will we get to work?	This is a History based topic that looks at how things change over time. It asks the children to explore what things like transport will be like in the future when they are older.

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Science	Does a plant stand on its feet?	This Science-based topic teaches children how to identify and label plants.
Science	How can we keep Spongebob dry?	This topic is based on the Science theme of materials. It provides the children with opportunities to investigate the properties of materials and how these change.
Science	Do we need to go on a plane to have a holiday?	This is a Science topic that explores seasonal change. Focussing particularly on Summer and the changes that we see around us during this time.
Geography	Camel or polar bear- Who would win the race?	This topic is has a Geography focus. It explores Weather patterns in the UK as well as hot and cold places around the world.
Literacy WSF	What makes an awesome author?	In this topic the children will explore a range of quality texts from a named author. They will experience the stories and style of the chosen author and increase their passion for reading for pleasure whilst doing so.