

## We will be learning:

In science and geography, we will be looking at the weather and seasonal changes. We will also be exploring materials and their properties.

In art and DT, we will be designing, making and evaluating a shelter for Beegu, whilst he is here on Earth.

In PE, our topic is sending and receiving. We will be developing different ball skills through partner work and team games.

In history, we will be learning about the moon landings and looking at how space travel has changed.

In RE, we will be hearing the Diwali story and learning about Christmas and Advent.

For RSE we will be exploring the differences and similarities between people and the importance of respect.

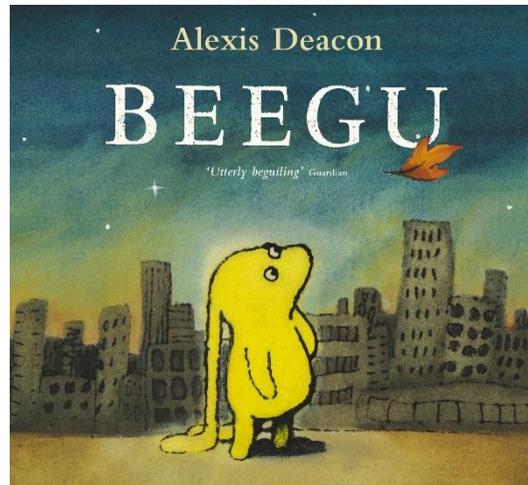
In computing, we will be learning about how technology and communication has developed over time.

## Year 1 Overview – Autumn 2

Our core story is:

### Beegu by Alexis Deacon

Please do not read this at home with your child until the end of the half term so your child can enjoy hearing the story unfold in class.



At home you could:

- Go to the library, choose books to read for pleasure and talk about the books together
- Find out more about space and the planets.
- Talk about which religious festivals you celebrate as a family, if any, and why.

## Key English skills for your child:

- Read unfamiliar words by sounding them out, including nonsense words.
- Read and spell words containing graphemes as they are taught.
- Read and spell tricky words.
- Begin to use capital letters and full stops more consistently.
- Write on the line, forming letters in the correct way.
- Use interesting adjectives to provide more description.

## Key Maths skills for your child:

- Explore addition and subtraction further, using the mathematical symbols accurately.
- Recognise coin values, and add and subtract using money.
- Begin to explore multiplication and division through grouping and sharing.
- Learn to partition teen numbers in different ways using a part-whole model.

Please talk to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

## Key Knowledge

We would like you to discuss this key vocabulary with your child as we go through the half term.

The Moon	A large object that orbits the Earth and reflects light from the Sun.
planet	Large objects that orbit the Sun in our solar system.
solar system	Consists of the Sun and everything that travels around it.
season	Four different times during the year with different weather patterns. These are caused by the earth's orbit around the Sun.
materials	Matter from which a thing is or can be made.
waterproof	A material which keeps out water.
weather	The daily condition of the air (atmosphere) in any given place.
atmosphere	The layer of gas that surrounds Earth. It is often called air.
astronaut	A person who is trained to travel into outer space.
space shuttle	A rocket-launched spacecraft.
communication	Exchanging of information by speaking, writing, or using some other medium.
Diwali	The Hindu festival of lights. It is a festival of new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil, and light over darkness.
Advent	In Christianity, the four Sundays leading up to and preparing for Christmas.

