

Year 1 Term 2 2021

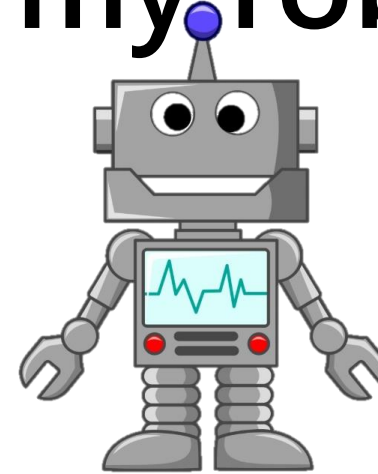
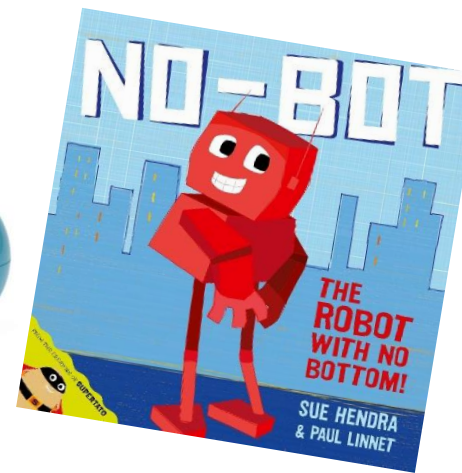
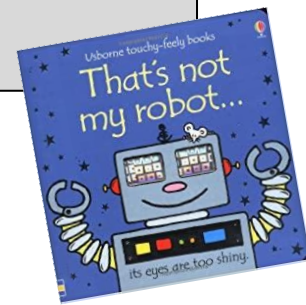
That's not my robot!

Welcome back!

We hope you've all had a lovely half-term break and are ready for an action packed new term! This term we will be diving into the curious and creative world of robots!

Science

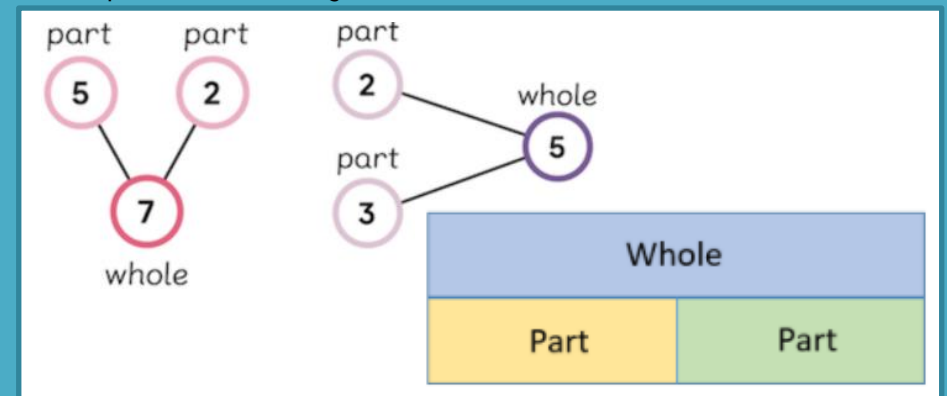
The children will be exploring the physical properties of everyday materials, distinguishing between the object and what it is made of. This will involve using their skills of observation, sorting and recording. The children will go on to make their own 'that's not my robot!' book, applying their knowledge of everyday materials. Also, we will be observing and recording seasonal changes as we move from Autumn to Winter.



Maths

In Maths this term we will be learning about the composition of numbers. Here are some of the concepts that we will be covering:

- Accurately counting how many objects are in a set
- Knowing that ordinal numbers indicate a single item or event, rather than a quantity (e.g. first, second third etc.)
- Partitioning numbers to 10 in multiple ways
- Identifying one less and one more than a given number
- Using a variety of different representations, including the part, part, whole/cherry model and the bar model (see below).



PE

PE will continue with the class teacher on Tuesdays and with Mr Kiely on Thursdays. Please continue to wear your PE kit to school on this day – remember to add some extra layers as the weather gets colder and wetter! On Tuesdays we will be throwing and catching and on Thursdays we will be doing gymnastics!

Computing

In computing we will be learning how to programme the BeeBots in order to make them move. This will involve the children writing their own algorithms for the BeeBots and testing these out. The children will complete specific tasks and 'debug' their programs to figure out why they don't work. We will use the BeeBot app alongside the BeeBot robots.



IMPORTANT!

If your child is going to be picked up by someone different, it is essential that you let the teacher know (either in person or via an email to the school office). Thank you!

Writing:

One of our main objectives this term will be to use punctuation independently, applying full stops, capital letters and questions marks in our writing. We will also be learning how to add suffixes (**ing**, er, est, s, es) to words where the root word doesn't change. For example, jump → jumping and quick → quicker.

Change to spelling and reading book day!

Thank you for practising spellings and reading daily with your child at home.

In class this term we will be continuing to apply our phonics and comprehension skills through our guided reading sessions. We will also continue to teach phonics daily, introducing lots of new phonemes – these will be sent home and can be added to your foundation flashcards! Please encourage your child to apply these when reading and spelling.

Our new book swap and spelling day this term will be THURSDAY.

Please return all school books each Thursday so that we can issue your child with their new books for the week. Please also ensure that you send in the blue reading log on these days too. We will be doing our weekly spelling test on a Thursday afternoon.

Show and Tell

If your child has any **topic-related** show and tell that they would like to share with the class, we would love to see it! However, this term we will be doing Show and Tell a little differently. There will be an allocated day for each house group to bring in show and tell (if they have any). This will be stored in a special place in the classroom until it is time for show and tell.

Dragons – Friday 12th November
Unicorns – Friday 19th November
Pegasus – Friday 26th November
Gryphons – Friday 3rd December