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**Geography:** Does it always snow at Christmas? Over the term, Pepperdon will be answering this question through their science and topic lessons. In topic, the class will be particularly looking at how the weather differs in different parts of the world and naming the seven continents by using atlases and maps.

**Music:** Pepperdon will be introduced to the beat of the music along with rhythm and pitch during this term. We will be listening, singing, playing composing and performing a range of music.

**DT/ Art:** In Pepperdon, there are always resources available for the children to access art every day. In particular, Pepperdon will be observing the skills of the natural sculpture artist, Andy Goldsworthy.

**Personal, Social and Health Education:** We will be following the Jigsaw scheme and our first Unit is called ‘Being Me in My World’. It focuses on recognising different feelings and working together with our friends.

**Phonics and reading:** The children will be having daily phonics lessons to develop their phonemes, diagraphs and spelling rules.

All the children will be listened to individually once a week and the Year 1’s will be sent home with three books per week. Shortly, Reception children will be bringing home two books. Please read each book three times throughout the week to consolidate their word recognition and understanding of the text.

**Maths:** In Numeracy, Reception will be learning to count to 5, sorting objects into groups, comparing groups, and getting to grips with one more and one less.

The Year 1’s will be learning about place value to the value of 10, addition and subtraction within 10, learning about 2D and 3D shapes and finally learning about place value within 20.

**Computing:**  This term’s ICT will be looking at being safe online. We will be understanding how to stay SMART online.

**Science:** In Science this term, the children will be learning about the weather and seasonal changes. They’ll be tracking the changes in the weather, understand why the evenings are dark in the winter and why it’s hot in the summer.

**Religious Education:** This term in R.E., we shall be exploring the question, Why is the word God special to Christians?

**Physical Education:** PE will be led by Mr Pearce on a Tuesday morning where the children will be developing their invasion games skills.

**Enrichment Event(s):**

Thursday 30th September – Making our own snow

Date to be confirmed - Christmas Play

**Books, Texts and Genres:**

**Oi Frog!** – Fiction

**Hot and Cold** – Non-fiction

**How to Catch Santa** – Fiction

**Snow in the Garden** – Poetry

**Outdoor Learning:** Our outdoor area is constantly being developed so the children can enjoy provision activities outside no matter the weather**.** Annkatrin will also be visiting us to help build resources, enjoy the plants and teach us all of her many outdoor skills.

**Does it always snow at Christmas?**

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**OUR learning map**

Autumn 1/2