

Year 1 Autumn Curriculum Newsletter 2025

Welcome to Year 1! We hope you had a lovely summer and are all refreshed and rested. To allow the children to settle in there will be many things that are similar to Reception. Please don't hesitate to come and see me either before or after school if you have any questions or queries. Mrs

Pettitt will be teaching the class on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Paice and Mrs Clark will be taking the class on a Wednesday and will be teaching English, Maths, Phonics and PE. Mrs Mehta will be covering PPA on Friday afternoons. **Our Class Assembly will be on Thursday 16th October 2025.**

Mrs Pettitt, Mrs Pegg, Mrs Paice, Mrs Clark and Mrs Mehta

PE

Our PE days will be **Mondays and Wednesdays**. Please make sure long hair is tied back and earrings are removed or tape is provided on these days. Children can come into school dressed in their PE Kits on those days. PE this term will be Dance and Developing throwing and catching skills.



TOPIC

The first half of the term will be all about the Children's personal history, such as family trees and how things are now compared to when their grandparents were small. Please help your child by discussing this with them. The second half of the term will be finding out about Florence Nightingale and then there will be the opportunity to take part in a school-based work shop, in order to build on their learning.

ENGLISH

This term in English children will write their own lists and labels. This will be followed by an introduction to poetry. Children will also be learning about story writing.

Phonics will continue within the class. Both Mrs Pegg and I will be teaching phonics. The focus will be on Phase 5 and children will also be consolidating their Phase 3 knowledge.

MATHS

In maths children will continue to develop their number skills and start to use larger numbers. They will also start to use different measures. In Year 1 children are expected to count in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s and know their number bonds to 20 off by heart. This will be a big focus, so please help your child with these at home.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be reading and spelling. Spellings will be given out every Friday. The spelling test will then take place the following Friday in the phonics lesson. The spellings will be linked to our phonics scheme and the **Year 1 common exception words**. Spellings books **MUST** be brought in every Friday to enable your child to take part in the spelling test.

MUSIC

The children will learn about rhythm, pulse and pitch in a variety of styles of music. They will attend singing assemblies weekly too.



SCIENCE

Throughout the year children will be looking at seasons, this term we will be focusing on the differences between Autumn and Winter. Our main topic will be Everyday Materials. You can help your child by talking about materials of objects around the house.



COMPUTING

In computing we will be following the Purple Mash scheme of work. We will be learning about online safety. We be learning how to turn a computer on, log in and save work. We will also be learning to Group and sort data.



RE and PSHE

In RE the children will be learning about religious festivals from different faiths including Christianity, Judaism and Hinduism

This terms PSHE will be; Being me in my world and Celebrating difference.

ART and DT

In Art we are going to look at an artist called Henri Matisse. We will copy some of his work and create our own portraits.



In DT we are creating sliders to move on a set background. We will also be making fruit kebabs.

MFL (Spanish)

We will be learning Spanish songs, mainly taken from the Lightning Languages Scheme of work. We will be learning to count in Spanish and learning about colours.