

Year 1 Spring Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to Year 1! We hope you had a lovely break and are all refreshed and rested. 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 will be taking the class on a Wednesday morning, Mrs Clark will be teaching Year 1 on Wednesday and Friday afternoon. **Our Class Assembly will be on Thursday 26th February 2026.**

Mrs Pettitt, Mrs Paice, Mrs Clark and Mrs Pegg.

ENGLISH

This term in English children will be creating some writing based on traditional stories. We will then move on to Poetry and will look at rhyming. We will also be writing recount. Daily phonics will also continue. Please visit www.phonicsplay.co.uk and www.phonicsbloom.co.uk for some phonics games.

MATHS: In maths children will continue to develop their number skills and start to using larger numbers. They will learn 2D and 3D shapes. Odd and even numbers will be a focus, along with doubling and halving. In Year 1 children are expected to count in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s forwards and backwards. This will be a big focus, 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.

PE

Our PE days will be Monday (indoor) and Wednesdays (outdoor weather permitting). Please make sure long hair is tied back and earrings are removed or tape is provided on these days. PE this term will Games and Gymnastics.



History/ Geography

In History, we will be exploring lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements-Queen Elizabeth I, Queen Victoria, Queen Elizabeth II. In Geography we be learning about our local area. We will also start to become weather experts.

SCIENCE

This term in science we will be looking at the differences between winter and spring. Our main topic will be Animals including Humans. We will look at different groups of animals and compare them to humans and learn body parts. We will collect data, look for patterns and carry out investigations.



MUSIC

In Music the children will be looking at beat and rhythm and adding percussion into existing arrangements.



ART and DT

In DT our focus is structures. We will be making our own castle. In Art we will be learning about line and colour and drawing self-portraits.



COMPUTING

We will continue to use the Purple Mash computing program. We will be working on grouping and sorting activities as well as pictograms.



RE

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

RSHE

This term's RSHE topics will be: "Dreams and Goals" followed by "Healthy Me".

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 days of the week.