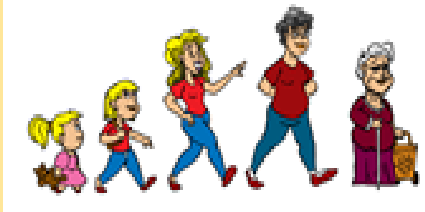


Year One Curriculum Map

Autumn First Half Term



Changes



Our topic this term is 'Changes'. We will look closely at how the seasons and the weather change over the coming weeks and the effect it has on certain wildlife.



English

In English we will be retelling the story 'Peace At Last', and writing a simple recount of a science walk in the school grounds to look for the signs of autumn.

Our focus this half term will be on handwriting skills and writing simple sentences with a capital letter and a full stop. We will focus on using our phonics to spell words, and learning to spell some simple tricky words. A copy of these are below and will also be sent home with your child's reading book.



Maths

In maths we will be working with numbers up to 10. This will include counting, reading, writing numbers and ordering numbers.

We will also be comparing numbers using the terms more, greater, less, fewer, equal to.

We will practise our adding and subtracting skills within 10, and we will learn all the possible ways to add up to 10 (bonds to 10).

We will be using the signs + - = < >

Visit the following site to play some counting games...

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>



Science

As part of our science curriculum we will be learning about a variety of plants and trees and how they change as the weather changes. We will learn to identify and name some trees in our local area, and sort them into deciduous and evergreen trees.



PE

Our focus will be to improve our coordination and agility through a variety of activities.



Geography

We will be finding out which is the hottest and coldest season in the UK, and which months are linked to which season.

We will also learn to recognise the main weather symbols and use instruments to record simple weather data.



Computing

We will be learning to log on and use a computer independently, and we will learn about personal information and the importance of keeping this secure both online and off.



SMSC

We will be discussing issues concerning mental health, British values and raising aspirations.



RE

We will learn what it means to belong to different faith communities, and what symbols and traditions are associated with those faiths.



Music

Our focus over the next few weeks will be learning some simple songs with a steady beat (pulse) and simple rhythms. We will then compose music, playing repeated patterns and maintaining a steady beat. Our new musical vocabulary will be *pulse* and *rhythm*.



History

We will be learning about how toys and schools have changed since the 1950s.

It was lovely to welcome our Year 1 pupils back into school this week for their first year in Key Stage One. We are all looking forward to an exciting year together.

The children will be based in the Year 1 class with

- Mrs Barrow (Mon/ Tues all day and Wed/Thurs/Fri morning)
- Mrs Horsfield (Wed/Thurs/ Fri afternoon)
- Miss Brown -Teaching assistant (Mon-Fri all day)

Homework

■ **Reading** – Reading books will be given out every Friday. We expect that children read with an adult three times per week at home, although we do encourage children to read daily. As usual, we ask parents to help by communicating through the reading diaries, but please contact me if there are any problems.

Please return reading books by every Wednesday unless you wish to keep the books for another week

Reading diaries must be signed.

- **Spellings** – you will be contacted via dojo if your child has a spelling list to learn each week.
- **Other homework** – you will be contacted via dojo if your child has other homework tasks. The main focus for homework in year 1 however is reading, phonics and spellings.

PE

All pupils must have appropriate kit for PE lessons, which they should wear to school **EVERY THURSDAY**.

PE Kit

- ❖ Black tracksuit/ black leggings/ black joggers/ black shorts/ plain hoody
- ❖ Plain blue t-shirt
- ❖ Outdoor trainers (preferably waterproof)

NO FOOTBALL STRIPS

WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD

You may be aware that this is an especially important year for our Year 1 pupils, which culminates in the national Year 1 phonics screening test in June. More information will be given to you later on how to support your child this year with their phonics.

A useful website is www.phonicsplay.co.uk.

Click on the resources button and select any of the free games. There are various phases for you to click on, depending on your child's ability.

UNIFORM

Pupils looked very smart this week and we thank you for your support adhering to the uniform policy.

Please ensure everything is named!

- **No jewellery or earrings**
- **Plain black shoes**

Important Dates

October 9th and 11th – Parents Night

December 14th – Christmas Performance (am)

December 19th – Y1 Xmas party

Tricky words

Please practise the words with your child until they can read them quickly. We will also focus on spelling these words correctly as part of your child's weekly spellings.

Thank you



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