



Year 1 Curriculum News

Autumn 2025

English & Phonics

Throughout the year, the English programmes of study will be taught through Read, Write, Inc (RWI), a structured programme for developing phonics and literacy skills. In RWI children will be developing reading, writing, grammar, punctuation and speaking and listening skills. They will be doing this according to their level in their RWI groupings.

Spellings are given out on Fridays after their test and they can practise these on Spelling Frame.

Reading

Please make sure your child brings their book bag to school every day. We will be changing your child's reading book once a week. Please see the front of your child's reading diary to find out which day your child will change their book. Year One will change their library books every Wednesday. Please ensure your child brings their library book to school on this day so they can choose a new one.

Please make sure you read with your child for 15 minutes every day.

Maths

In maths, we will be focusing on place value within 20. This will include number recognition, representing numbers, counting forwards and backwards, comparing numbers and writing numerals correctly. We will also be moving on to addition and subtraction. We will be learning number bonds to 10 and 20 and developing our calculation skills. The children will also be learning about 2D shapes.

Please practise writing numbers, counting accurately and learning numbers bonds within 10/20 at home.

PE

Year 1 children will have PE with the sports coaches every Tuesday. Please ensure your child arrives to school every Tuesday in their PE kit. The children should wear a white t-shirt, black leggings or tracksuit bottom and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. PE lessons will be outside as much as possible so please also include a sweatshirt.

Music

The children will participate in a weekly singing assembly with Sonya. They will also learn songs and play percussion instruments during weekly music lessons with Daniel.

Wider Curriculum

In **Science**, we will be learning about plants, trees and flowers.

In **Art**, we will be learning about line, shape and colour and Sculpture and 3D models.

In **PSHE**, we will be learning about Growth Mindset, Resilience and Honesty.

In **RE** we will be learning about Judaism.

In **Geography** we will be learning about Geography around us.

In **Computing**, we will be learning about online safety, what technology is and digital painting.

Communication

We are in the playground every afternoon, but understand that you may not be there at pick up time due to other commitments. If you have any concerns or queries, please email the Admin Team and they will forward your questions to us. We will try to respond to them as quickly as we can. If you feel you need to book a meeting with your child's teacher, please email the admin team and they will forward your request to us. We will use the Arbor email messaging system to try to keep you informed where necessary.