

Information for the Spring Term 2025



We will be busy in Year 1!

Here is some information to let you know whatwe will be doing this term in our class.

Mathematics	Addition and subtraction within 20, place value within 50, measurement: length, height, weight and volume.
English	The children will be going on an exciting adventure in their writing lessons each week! The Curious Quests introduces a new book weekly, that stimulates the children's imagination and creativity. We will explore a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. We will be looking at question marks, exclamation marks, using a range of joining words, adjectives, nouns, past and present tense.
Science	Animals: recognising human body parts and identifying the body parts associated with each sense. We will also be comparing and grouping animals based on similarities and differences in their characteristics, physical features and diets.
Computing	Developing mouse skills by learning how to log in and navigate around a computer while creating digital artwork.
History	How have toys changed? The children will be comparing their favourite toys with toys from the past, sequencing artefacts from different periods, and identifying changes between teddy bears today and those from 100 years ago.
PSHE	Safety and the changing body. The children will learn about how to keep safe, what to do in an emergency and to know that the emergency services are the police, fire service and ambulance service.
Art	Painting and mixing media. The children will learn about primary and secondary colours, colour mixing techniques, and applying these skills in painting and printing.
Music	Keeping the pulse. Children explore keeping the pulse together through music and movement, by exploring their favourite things.
PE	Invasion games: children will master basic movements including throwing and catching, participate in team games and develop simple tactics for attacking and defending.

Reading

Your child will bring home two books: a Big Cat decodable book (they should be able to read the majority of this by sight), and a book of their choice. Reading books will be changed after the children have finished their 3rd reading session in school. Their old book will be replaced with the one they have just read with us. We would like each child to have a library book, but we need a willing volunteer to help the children change their books each week. Please let us know if you have a free half hour you could spare us. No experience necessary – full training will be provided!

Maths

There are lots of things your child could be practising at home with you. For example, they could be learning their times tables, starting with x2, x5, x10. You could help them practise telling the time (o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to). They could be identifying different 2d and 3d shapes, and counting out money to pay for shopping and working out change. They could also try adding numbers to 10 and 20.

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a named water bottle in class every day. Keeping hydrated has been shown to be beneficial for health and wellbeing. Please no squash - just water!

PE

Year 1 has PE on Tuesday and Wednesday, so children need to come to school in PE kit on these days. Please remember they should wear a plain white T-shirt, a black hoodie or jumper, black shorts or jogging bottoms, and trainers. Clothes should not be patterned or branded. A spare pair of outdoor trainers is useful as the field gets muddy. Please make sure kit is correct so your child does not stand out as being different. On PE days, long hair must be tied back and stud earrings should be removed.

Weather

Now we are heading for spring, please make sure that your child has a NAMED coat in school every day. We go outside in all weathers, come rain or shine!

If you have any questions, please send Miss Bates, Miss Page or Mrs Collis a message on Class Dojo, or speak to a member of staff after school. We thank you for your support. The Year 1 Team.