

Year 1 Curriculum Letter

Autumn Term – 2021/22

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Welcome

The children have returned refreshed from the Easter holidays and ready to learn! They enjoyed reading 'The Smartest Giant in Town' on the first week back and have been working hard to impress us with their writing. We are very pleased with how well their writing has developed over the year. This letter gives you an overview of what to expect from the Summer term, including details of the curriculum.

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Year 1 team

English

We will retell short stories, write poems, instructions and information texts.

The skills we will develop are:

- Writing accurate sentences
- Using capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks and question marks
- Joining sentences using and or because
- Using taught spelling rules correctly

In spelling, we will finish learning the Year One spelling rules and No Excuse words.

Reading will focus on our understanding of what we have read and ensuring we know all of our sounds.

How can parent/Carers help?

Encourage your child to read and write at home and help them get ready for the Phonics Screening Check which is in June.

Mathematics

In Maths No Problem lessons we will be developing our mathematical skills, reasoning and problem solving through the topics of:

In the first half term: multiplication and division and fractions.

In the second half term: numbers to 100, shape, space and measure.

In Arithmetic lessons, we will continue to learn our number bonds to 10 and then 20. We will recap and practice topics learnt throughout the year so far.

How can Parent/Carers help?

Practise rapid recall of number bonds, recognising and counting coins, telling the time to the hour and half past and naming and describing shapes.

Foundation Subjects

Geography - Children will be exploring our local area to develop their skills in Geography. We will be looking at, using and creating maps. We will learn about human and physical features of our local area.

Science - Children will be learning about animals and how to group them. We will experience first hand opportunities about animals with our trip to Twycross Zoo

Art- The children will be learning all about sculpture! They will be using a range of materials to create their sculptures from clay to newspaper. They will work in groups to manipulate and join their chosen materials to create giant spiders...in the style of Louise Bourgeois!

RE and Philosophy - In R.E, we are learning who is a Christian and what they believe.

Computing- This term the pupils will be studying Digital Literacy. As part of this unit pupils will learn how to use technology safely and kindly.

Relationships and Health Education

In the first half term, we will be learning about 'Relationships'. In the second half term, we will focus on 'Changing Me'.

PE

Our PE days are 1 Beta (Mondays and Wednesdays) 1 Delta and 1 Gamma (Mondays and Fridays)-

We are continuing our P.E journey through Year 1 and focusing on hand/eye coordination skills and also locomotive skills. The areas we are covering during Summer Term are:

- Summer Term 1 - Bat & Ball Skills & Games/ Magnificent 7 (Fundamental Movement Skills)
- Summer Term 2 - Athletics/Dance

Homework and Reading

We expect children to try and read every day but at least 5 times per week. Please sign your child's diary each time. They will be able to change their books daily if they have read. RWInc books will be changed every Monday and must be returned to receive a new book the following Monday.

Homework is given out on a Thursday and should be returned by the following Thursday. Spelling tests will be on the Friday.