



PE

Year 1 have PE twice a week, on a Tuesday and Friday. Their indoor PE session will be Dance where we will learn to develop balance and a range of movements. The outdoor PE session will be Tennis, focussing on aim and to develop balance and coordination when hitting a ball.



Homework

Pupils receive homework every Monday. This includes:

- Learning the weekly spellings
- Numbots
- Reading at least five times a week and having their reading record signed.

Year 1 Book Award Challenge - Reading

Book Challenge	Learn Child	Age	Prize
Read 10 books	Read 10 books	A book of choice	A book of choice
Read 20 books	Read 20 books	2 stars	2 stars
Read 30 books	Read 30 books	3 stars	3 stars
Read 40 books	Read 40 books	4 stars	4 stars

Bronze Award (10 books)
 Silver Award (20 books)
 Gold Award (30 books)
 Platinum Award (40 books)

Reading Challenge

The aim is to complete the Book Award challenge by the end of the academic year. Reading 10 books each term will help to keep you on track to be entered in for a star prize!

Key Dates

There are key dates now on the school website for spring term.



Curriculum on a Page for Parents Year 1 Spring Term 1



Computing

In our computing lessons this half term, pupils will be introduced to early programming concepts. The children will identify what each floor robot command does and use that knowledge to start predicting the outcome of programs. We will also introduce program design through the introduction of algorithms.



History

As historians we will be learning about life during the Victorian times. The children will discover what differences Queen Victoria made to life in Britain. We will compare what schools were like during the Victorian times and how transport has changed and developed.

Design and Technology

In DT we are going to be exploring what makes a sandwich healthy. The children will design their own sandwich, considering healthy options. The children will learn how to prepare food safely and how to use the appropriate tools to effectively create their final design.



Science

As scientists, we will begin by looking at plants and identifying different parts of a plant. The children will be planting this term and making observations over the weeks. The children will then focus on animals, naming and describing a variety of common animals kept as pets. We will identify a variety of mammals and compare and describe some of their features. Children will then compare the characteristics of a variety of birds and reptiles.



PSHE

This half-term our topic will be 'Bullying Matters'. We will focus on understanding that hurtful behaviour is not acceptable and we will discuss how we can report bullying by telling a trusted adult. The children will identify which behaviours are kind or unkind.



Music

In our music sessions children will begin to recognise and understanding the difference between pulse and rhythm. We will recreate sounds using voice or body and extend ideas by adding dynamics. The children will practice singing basic tempo, dynamic and pitch changes and be able to describe the character, mood, or 'story' of music they listen to.



RE

This half-term we will discuss how and why we celebrate special and sacred times. The children will share their own stories of celebrations and we will discover how others celebrate with their family and friends.



Reading

The children will be having daily phonics lessons using the programme Little Wandle. In these sessions the children will learn a range of sounds and learn how to blend them together to make words.

The children will also participate in reading sessions throughout the week where they will practice their decoding, prosody and comprehension skills.

Children will take home a phonetically decodable book to read. Please sign their reading record to show they have read.



Writing

This half-term we will begin with poetry. We will be practising our class poem and discovering a range of shape poems. We will then recreate our class poem, 'A Little Seed' into a shape poem.

We will then be learning the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood' and our English lessons will be focused on the narrative features highlighted in this story. The children will learn a range of methods to create suspense in our stories.



Maths

As mathematicians, we will learn about place value within 20 and use this new knowledge to support us solving addition and subtraction problems. We will look at one more and one less than a number and learn how to estimate, order and compare numbers up to 20.