

Year 1 Summer 2025 – Curriculum News

April 2025

Welcome

We hope you had a relaxing Easter break and are ready for our final term. We begin our term with History finding out about the achievements of 4 different astronauts. In geography, we will use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of our school, its grounds and the key human and physical features. We will use these skills to create our own maps of our community and of the beach when on our trip. This term, in science Year 1 will become experts in plants. We will be learning about the parts of plants, what wild plants are and where we can find them. We will go on a plant hunt around the school grounds and identify the trees and plants we find. In DT, we will be learning how to use a basic running stitch to create our own hand puppets and then 'Why are vegetables the best?' We will also be learning about Judaism in RE. We will be looking at the promises Jews and God make each other, such as the Covenant and the 10 commandments. In PSHE we will be discussing relationships and change.

Year 1 Staff

France Class

Miss Barnard
Class teacher

Finland Class

Miss Crow
Class teacher

China Class

Mrs Sadler –
Class teacher M – Th
Miss Jackson
Student teacher

Mrs Edison

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Mrs Howard
Learning Support Assistant

Reading



Children will continue to visit the library on a Thursday. Please ensure their library books are returned so that they can choose a new one. It is great to hear so many of you are sharing these books together.

We will continue with our three reading sessions each week. This is proving to be fantastic for the children's fluency and their confidence in reading is exceptional.

Please can you continue to record any reading completed at home in your child's reading record. This may be their library book, school book or something from home.

Phonics



Children will have daily phonics sessions with opportunities for writing. We will be revisiting taught phonemes in preparation for our screening check in June. Then we will progress onto alternative spellings.

English



We will be writing informal letters to year 5, inviting them to sew puppets with us. Year 1 will be writing a setting description of our wonderful school field, as well as studying various forms of poetry. We are looking forward to writing our own instructions in Summer 2, using some bossy imperative verbs!

Home Learning



This will continue to be set via Showbie.

There will continue to be phonics every week and maths OR English.

New for this term -There will also be 5 spelling words, which will be checked on Thursdays. The best way to practise these is little and often over the week.

Rainbow Challenges



These are additional challenges that you may like to complete with your child.

Go on a plant hunt around your garden can you identify any of the plants? You may need to use the internet to help you.

Create a space collage.

Visit the library and find a book about an astronaut and about space.

Design and create a new space rocket for Tim Peake.

Draw and label a rocket using only 2D shapes.

Create a new planet and write a description of it.

Maths

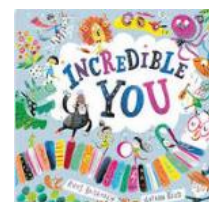


In Maths, we will be learning about equal groups and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will then be finding half and a quarter of shapes and small amounts.

In our number work we will begin to work with numbers to 100. The children will also work with money and begin to tell the time.

There will also be 2 maths meetings per week to revisit prior learning and embed current skills. Please feel free to use Numbots too!

Recommended Read



Ever had a bad day and wanted to be something else?

Don't worry you ARE amazing, just be you!

PE



PE is now a Wednesday and a Thursday. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in their PE kit and wearing appropriate footwear (trainers not plimsolls please). PE will be outside. Long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons. If a child is wearing earrings they will not be allowed to take part.