



Year 1 Curriculum letter - Autumn 2026

Teachers: Ms. Fox (Mon-Weds) Mrs Wilson (Thurs-Fri)
Teaching Assistants: Mrs James, Ms. Kenny (am)
Ms. Smith, Ms. Foote (pm)
Mrs Dunleavy (Phonics support)



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 1! We hope you all had a lovely summer holiday!

We have been delighted to welcome the children back to school and are so pleased with how well they have settled into Year 1. They have already begun learning their new routines and have shown great enthusiasm, confidence and curiosity in their first few days. We are really enjoying getting to know the children and helping them settle into our classroom environment.

Here are some of the exciting topics and learning opportunities we have planned for this coming term:

RE



Creation and Covenant

- Listen to and retell the story of Creation from the Bible.
- Say what we enjoy in God's creation.
- Talk about how we can care for God's creation.

Prophecy and Promise

- Listen to and retell the Nativity story.
- Talk about why Mary is special, and begin to learn the Hail Mary.



Literacy



We are focussing on these key skills:

Capital letters

Full stops

Finger spaces

Writing simple sentences

Handwriting

Our Key Texts are:

Dear Zoo

Non-fiction animal texts



Maths



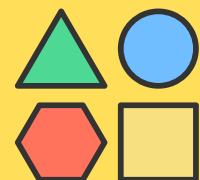
Number

- Recognising, counting, and ordering numbers to 20 and back
- Place Value (within 20)

Number

- Addition and Subtraction

Geometry - Shape



- **Science:** Animals including humans
Seasonal changes and weather

- **DT:** Structures - Design a pen pot



- **RSHE:** Relationships

- **Indoor PE:** Dance, Health and Well-being



- **Music:** Our Music teacher Mrs Collins will teach the class fortnightly.

- **Outdoor PE:** Ball skills, jumping

- **Computing:** Word processing

- **Geography:** Our School, Wonderful weather



PE

Our PE lessons will take place on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Children are allowed to wear their P.E. kit into school on these days instead of getting changed in school. We kindly ask that children only wear trainers with laces if they are able to do them up by themselves!



Library Books

The children will have the opportunity to visit the library weekly and choose a new book. We ask that along with their phonics books, children bring in their library books each Thursday to be returned; they will then choose a new book to bring home each Friday.



Reading

Please ensure reading folders come into school every day to enable us to lead Guided Reading sessions. We collect in the children's books on a **Thursday** and children will bring home new books on a **Friday**. Please encourage your child to read their phonics book, or a book from home with you daily, and record this in their Reading Record. The children receive a tick for each day they have read at home, and when they get 10 ticks they receive a prize! Sharing their Phonics book is just one aspect of learning to read, so please encourage your child to identify letters and words they see around them, and enjoy sharing the 'Love to Read' books, stories, information books from home and the Library.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child is dressed smartly and always has the correct uniform on. School shoes are to be worn and not trainers. Long hair needs to be tied back. If you have any questions, please ask.



Attendance

It is important that your child is in school every day and only off if they are really unwell. Children need to be punctual to school as we start learning as soon as the children arrive at **8.45am**.

Please keep us informed of any medical updates so that we can help to support your child in the best way possible.

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, concerns or queries about your child, however big or small. We are very much here to support both you and your children throughout the year and will always do our best to help.

Yours sincerely,
Ms Fox and Mrs Wilson

