

Year 1
Spring Term



Curriculum
Newsletter

Welcome to Year 1

In this newsletter you will find an overview of the work that your child will be completing during the Spring Term in school. Please find opportunities to support your child's learning. Your child will also have homework to allow them to explore this term's curriculum in exciting ways with you at home. It is really important to **read/share books daily** with your child.

English

Year 1 will be reading the following books:

- Shark in the Park
- What Babies used to wear
- You Noisy Monkey
- Our Whale Watching Trip
- Runaway Chapati
- Three Friends
- All About Me

This term children will be writing the following:

- Setting Description
- Postcard
- Non- Chronological Report
- Narrative
- Letter
- Recount
- Poetry

Please help your child ensuring they complete their weekly homework as well as practice their spellings. Children also need to be reading daily for at least 5 to 10 minutes with their reading record book signed in order for their book to be changed. It would also be beneficial if you could read with your child and ask them questions to ensure they are on track and have a good understanding of what they have read.

Useful websites:

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/literacy.html>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Maths

In this term children will be learning about:

- Measurement (length and height)
- Multiplication and division
- Fraction
- Positioning
- Addition and subtraction
- Geometry- 3D shapes
- Measurement (money)

Please help your child by working with them to learn their multiplication tables and also to complete their weekly homework.

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<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

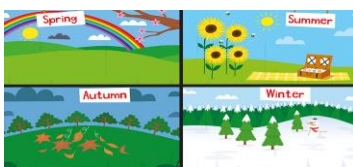
<https://play.numbots.com>

Numbots - It is important for the children to do 10-15 minutes of number practice as often as possible to support fluency! Children who do this regularly are more confident when tackling a range of mathematical challenges. The logins and passwords can be found in the Number Book (passwords).

Science

Seasonal Changes

This project teaches children about the seasons, seasonal changes and typical seasonal weather and events. They learn about measuring the weather and the role of a meteorologist. Children begin to learn about the science of day and night and recognise that the seasons have varying day lengths in the UK.



Geography	Bright Lights and Big Cities This term in Geography, children will explore the United Kingdom, focusing on its physical features. They will learn about cities and the human features of their local area. Additionally, they will study the weather, seasons, and climate within the UK. Children will also examine famous landmarks in London and practice giving directions. As part of their studies, they will compare London with the capital city of Malaysia- Kuala Lumpur. 	
Art & Design	Rain and Sunrays This project teaches children about collagraph printing, including how to develop a motif to make single and repeated prints. 	
Design & Technology	Taxi This project teaches children about wheels, axles and chassis and how they work together to make a vehicle move. The children will design and make a taxi and then evaluate their completed product. 	
Computing	<u>Text & Images</u> Children will learn to change the background colour of a page, add, resize and position images (pictures) on a page, type and position text on a page, if possible using capital letters and punctuation. They will label pictures with text and use word-banks for writing sentences about pictures.	<u>Programming</u> Children will place instructions into the correct order (sequence) to make something work, use direction arrows to move an on-screen object (character/sprite) to achieve an objective, predict a route and sequence direction commands (algorithm) to achieve an objective, correct the errors if necessary (debug) and predict a route and sequence distance commands to program an on-screen object to achieve an objective.
Personal, Social, Health and Economics	<u>Goals and Dreams</u> This topic teaches children about Aspirations, how to achieve goals and understanding the emotions that go with this.	<u>Healthy Me</u> In this topic, children will learn to distinguish between healthy and unhealthy foods. They will also understand the importance of maintaining cleanliness and staying germ-free.

Religious Education	THEME: The 99 names of Allah KEY QUESTION: Who is god to Muslims? RELIGION: Islam	THEME: Palm Sunday KEY QUESTION: Why was Jesus welcomed like a King or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday? RELIGION: Christianity
Physical Education	This term pupils will be taking part in Groovy gymnastics, core strength fitness and they will be learning about hygiene, medicine and exercise. In Spring 2 pupils will focus on ball skills and gym fit circuits.	
Music	<u>Pulse</u> In this unit, children will be listening to a variety of music that includes a range of time signatures. They will learn to distinguish long and short sounds and how to perform these using percussion instruments. They will then learn to play a steady rhythm and perform this in a group.	<u>Rhythm</u> In this unit, children will focus on rhythm and pulse. They will perform as part of a group and play rhythms in time together. Sing songs changing the tempo and listen to a variety of music.

We hope that you have found this leaflet helpful and that it enables you to help your child with their learning at home.

We welcome your questions and concerns during the weekly dash which takes place on a Thursday. Please also approach us on the playground at the end of the day if necessary.

Thank You!

Ms Dulay, Miss Pandor, Miss Aswat
(Year 1 teachers).