

Year 1. Spring 2.

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Welcome to Year 1!

Please see the school website for important events that will be happening this half term! We currently have three Phonics drop ins for this term -
2nd, 11th and 26th March.

This half term, our PE days will be on a **Monday**, so children will need to come to school in their PE kit.

Homework and Home reading

The children will have weekly homework to support their learning. This will be due on [Wednesdays](#) and returned on [Fridays](#). The children will also have a reading book to share at home, changed **weekly**, and library books, changed every **Tuesday**. Home reading is recorded in your child's reading diary and reading should be for [10 minutes at least 4 times a week](#).

What will Year 1 be learning this half term?

Maths

Addition and Subtraction within 20

Year 1 will continue subtraction up to 20, whilst developing their problem-solving skills.

Place Value within 50

Year 1 will build on their place value knowledge from 20 to 50 and look at counting by making groups of tens.

Length and Height

In this unit, Year 1 will compare lengths and heights and begin measuring using objects and centimetres.

Religious Education

What do Christians believe God is like?

During this unit, Year 1 will learn about Christian parables—stories told by Jesus to teach about God. They will explore the Lost Son and Jonah and the Big Fish, learning about God's love, forgiveness, and welcoming nature, and how Christians put their beliefs into practice through worship.

English

Writing to entertain (fables)

This unit will build on our previous unit of traditional tales. Year 1 will begin to use adjectives to describe size and colour as well as using specific story language to help create purposeful writing. Throughout this unit, we will use drama to help our understanding of fables.

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Puppets

Year 1 will explore puppets through investigation, designing, and making. They will plan and create their own puppet using a range of materials and tools, learning to make it functional, appealing, and suited to a user.

Windmills

Year 1 will explore the power of wind by learning about and making windmills. They will design and create a purposeful model and learn about sustainability as well as how wind energy can help communities around the world.

History

Parliament and Royalty

Year 1 will learn about important events from the past that have helped shape the constitutional monarchy we have today. They begin to understand the roles of the monarch and Parliament, how laws are made, and how ideas about what is right and fair can change over time.

Phonics

The children will continue to be taught daily using the 'Sounds-Write' scheme. They will learn the following sounds this term; 's', 'l', 'or' and 'air', whilst developing their understanding of the sounds learnt already.

Science

Plants

In this unit, Year 1 children explore plants and their parts. They learn about different types of plants, identify the main parts of a plant, and discover how plants grow and spread seeds to make new plants.