

English

This term, our book is *The Naughty Bus* by Jan Oke. In English lessons, the children will be using describing words to talk about the pictures from the story, as well as writing sentences that include capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops. At home, you can support your child by asking them to retell the key events in the story and encouraging them to write simple sentences about it. You could help them practise using capital letters at the start of sentences, finger spaces between words, and full stops at the end. Reading the story together, discussing what happened first, next, and last, and praising their efforts will help build their confidence and enjoyment of writing.



Reading Books

Please ensure your child brings their book bag to school everyday. Your child will only be allowed to take a reading book/library book if they have their book bag. We collect reading books on a Wednesday morning so we can change these and will issue a new one on Wednesday.

PSHE



This year, children will be engaging with *Look Up!* and exploring the theme of recognising and celebrating our strengths. The Year 1 children will think about what makes them special and identify their own personal strengths and talents. They will learn that everyone has different abilities and that these differences make us unique. Through discussions and activities, pupils will build confidence in themselves and develop a positive sense of self-worth.

Maths

This term, Year 1 children will be learning about multiplication and division, fractions, and geometry. They will develop their understanding of multiplication and division by using practical resources to make equal groups, share objects, and begin to solve simple problems. In their work on fractions, children will learn to recognise and find halves and quarters of shapes and quantities. In geometry, they will explore and name common 2D and 3D shapes, as well as describe their properties. Parents can support at home by helping their child practise making equal groups with everyday objects, such as sharing snacks or toys. You can also encourage your child to spot and talk about shapes in their environment, and explore simple fractions by cutting food into halves or quarters. Talking about maths in everyday situations will help build their confidence and understanding.



How to help at home

Year 1

Summer 1



RE

This term, Year 1 children will be learning about how different religions celebrate the birth of a new baby. They will explore a range of traditions and ceremonies, learning how families welcome new life and why these events are important in different faiths. Children will look at examples such as naming ceremonies, blessings, and special celebrations, and begin to understand the meanings behind them. They will be encouraged to ask questions, share their own experiences, and listen respectfully to the beliefs and traditions of others.

Science

This term, Year 1 children will be learning about Science, with a focus on plants. Children will learn to identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. They will also identify and describe the basic structure of a range of common flowering plants, including trees. Through discussions and practical activities, children will explore plants in their environment, observing how they grow and identifying their different parts. This will help them develop their understanding of the natural world around them.

Computing

This term in Computing, Year 1 children will be learning about creating media, with a focus on digital imagery, as well as developing their understanding of managing online information and health, well-being, and lifestyle. They will learn how to take and create simple digital images, exploring how to capture, edit, and improve pictures using basic tools. Children will begin to understand how images can be used to communicate ideas and tell a story.



Curriculum

This term, our focus in the curriculum for Year 1 is Cooking and Nutrition. The children will be learning about healthy eating and where food comes from. They will have opportunities to prepare simple dishes, helping them to develop their practical skills and understanding of food. This will support their knowledge of making healthy choices, as well as developing important skills such as following instructions, measuring ingredients, and improving their fine motor control.

P.E

In Year 1, PE lessons will focus on developing skills in cricket and rounders. Children will practise basic techniques such as throwing, catching, and striking a ball with control. They will learn how to aim, work on their hand-eye coordination, and begin to understand simple game rules. Pupils will take part in fun activities and small team games that help them develop their batting and fielding skills. They will also learn how to work together, take turns, and play fairly.