



# Welcome back to Year 1

## Our Core Subjects

In **English** this term we will be focusing on traditional tales and rhymes, as well as writing for a range of purposes. We will learn to write instructions and recounts and will share a selection of stories during our English lessons, whilst also exploring stories by familiar authors.

In **Maths** our focus will continue to be on Number followed by Addition and Subtraction. We will also learn to use money, read time, name shapes, use basic measurement units and simple fractions.

In **Science**, our topics will be Materials and Identifying Animals.

Children will learn all about different materials and their properties, as well as how we can use the materials we find around us. They will learn how to identify and categorise different animals and their habitats.

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### Humanities

The children will be learning about homes from the past in our **History** topic this term. They will compare how homes in the past differ to our homes today.

In **Geography**, children will be learning about life on the farm. Identifying different types of farming and why they are important.

### Art and DT

Our Art and D.T lessons this term will link closely. During **Art** sessions, children will learn how to sketch different textures and patterns that feature on buildings. Whilst in **D.T**, they will also design and then make their own model house.

### Computing

Children will be developing their internet safety knowledge as well as completing our Lego Builders topic.

### Music

In **Music** the children learn different songs and the composition of songs. Children will explore different styles of music such as Blues, Baroque, Bhangra and Folk this term.

### Religion and World Views

**R.W** this term focuses on special stories in all religions and children will begin to learn about Sikhism.

### PE

In **PE** the children will be continuing to develop their Fundamental Skills and also focus on our new topics of Dance and Gymnastics.

### PSHE

In **PSHE** this term, the children will be completing the units 'Dreams and Goals' and

'Healthy Me'. The children will learn all about ways to keep themselves healthy in body and mind.

### This term's topics are:

SCIENCE - How can we use the materials we find around us? And how can we identify animals?

HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY - Homes in The Past and At the Farm

ART - Can Buildings Speak and Yoyoi Kusama

D.T - Homes

COMPUTING - Internet safety and Lego Builders

MUSIC - In the Groove and Round and Round

RW - Special stories in all religions and Sikhism.

PSHE - Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me

PE - Dance and Gymnastics

### Home Learning Tasks

Home learning tasks will be set, which are based on learning that has already taken place in school. This means that your child can complete them with greater independence. We do ask that you check your child's home learning tasks to ensure they are completed to a good standard and returned to school on time. Thank you for your continued support.



## Spring Term in Year One

Happy New Year! Welcome to the start of a brand-new term. We hope you all had a restful break and feel ready to start the Spring Term.

This term, the Year 1 team is:

- Miss Watkins (Class 3)
- Mrs Mason (Class 4)
- Mrs Jones (Teacher across both classes)
- Mrs Perediuha (HLTA)
- Mrs Williams (TA)

Doors open to pupils at 8.40am and pupils will come straight to class ready for registration at 8.50am. Any pupils who are late, must report to the School Office.

### PE Kits

Pupils are expected to wear the correct PE kit for every PE lesson each week. The correct PE kit is:

White t-shirt (plain or with Woden logo only)

Dark blue tracksuit bottoms

Dark blue sweatshirt (plain or with Woden logo only)

Trainers

Children are not to wear their own clothes or sports wear with other logos for school. We would like our pupils to really take pride in their appearance as well as our school PE kit.

**Our PE days in Year 1 are: WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY**

**Children should come to school in the correct PE kit on these days.**

### Curriculum Enrichment

We are always looking for ways to bring our pupils' learning to life and have some visits already booked for Spring Term.

- Farm trip

Useful websites:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> - Great for Maths

<https://ictgames.com/> - Great for English and Maths

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources> - To support their phonics and helping children identify real and nonsense words.

### Reading

Listening to your child read aloud as often as possible will support them with their reading, writing and spelling. The benefits are huge. Please write a comment and sign your child's diary every time you hear them read so that we can track the progress they are making at home. Children's reading books will be changed **once a week**, but please send them to school with their books and diary **every day** so we can hear them read regularly.