

This half term, Year 1 will be exploring a range of exciting topics across the curriculum. Below is an overview of what your child will be learning

English

Our focus texts are **Super Duper You** by Sophy Henn, **The Colour Monster** by Anna Llenas and the traditional story of **The Enormous Turnip**.



Children will learn to:

- Segment to spell labels and sentences using their phonic knowledge.
- Sequence and retell a story.
- Write descriptive sentences.
- Write a retelling of a story.

SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)

We will be learning about:

- Capital letters
- Verbs
- Suffixes “-ing”
- Finger spaces
- Writing sentences



Reading and Phonics

Through our Little Wandle programme, children will:



- Review Phase 5 phonics sounds and spellings.
- Develop fluency and accuracy when reading.
- Practise applying phonics knowledge in reading and writing.

Mathematics

We will be focusing on:

- Numbers to 10
- Part-whole within 10
- Addition within 10.



Science - Materials

Children will:

- Identify and name common mammals, fish, amphibians, birds and reptiles.
- Describe and compare the structure of different animals.
- Name and group animals by what they eat.



Music

Through singing activities, children will learn to:

- Use their voices to speak and chant rhymes.
- Control and match pitch to sing a wide range of call and response songs.
- Sing songs using high and low voices.
- Sing familiar songs together responding to simple directions.



Physical Education

Children will focus on:

- Following instructions safely
- Building resilience and confidence
- Developing balance, coordination and footwork skills
- Improving movement, control and stability



Geography - The United Kingdom

Our topic is “Our local area”

Children will learn to:

- Identify features of the local area and around school.
- Carry out simple fieldwork such as identifying features and recording on a map.
- Learn about different types of weather and seasons.



Religious Education

Who is a Christian and what do they believe?

Children will:

- Share stories from the Bible and how they show us how Christians think about God.
- Learn about Harvest and how it is celebrated by Christians.
- Explore artwork and music inspired by stories from the Bible.
- Share stories that show the importance of Jesus to Christians.

Computing

Children will learn about:

- What an algorithm is.
- Sequencing instructions in order.
- 'Debugging' algorithms.
- Designing a simple algorithm to solve a problem.



Art

Children will:

- Observe and draw different things using simple materials.
- Explore different textures using different media.
- Learn about the artist Andy Goldsworthy and create artwork in his style.
- Learn how to draw for different purposes including self-portraits.



Personal Development (Health and Relationships)

Children will discuss:

- Caring friendships
- Families and people who care for me
- Respectful relationships



How You Can Help at Home

- Read with your child every day.
- Practise phonics on the weekly home work sheet.
- Practise counting and writing numbers using the correct formation.
- Practise number facts and simple addition/subtraction.
- Encourage neat handwriting and correct letter formation.
- Discuss features of the local area.
- Discuss different animals and their features.