



# Curriculum Overview

## Year 1

The aim of our curriculum overview is to share;  
What will we be learning in school  
How can we support our learning at home  
Why we learn what we do and what changes can you expect in the coming term?

### Maths

In Maths this half term, the children will focus on place value, addition and subtraction. The children will be counting to and beyond 10. They will be ordering and comparing numbers using the inequalities signs. The children will begin to add and subtract using hands on apparatus such as cubes, dice, counters and rek'n'reks. The children will learn their numbers bonds to 10 and will find one more and one less than numbers to 20. They will use physical manipulatives to solve problems. At home you can help by counting with your child and using objects such as Lego and pasta to add and subtract small numbers.

### Reading

In school, we continue to encourage the children to read and enjoy books at every opportunity. In English, we always start with a high quality text and try wherever possible to use a book as a stimulus in other subject areas. Throughout the day, children are given the opportunity to read for pleasure, read with an adult in a group and read independently to complete a task.

Reading at home is crucial and is greatly encouraged. Children can change books each day at school for reading for pleasure and will be given a phonics book twice a week but feel free to use books from home—they all count to reading certificates and golden tokens for a chance to win a prize. On a Friday, Year 1 will visit the local library to select a book to read with an adult. This is to be taken home and then brought back the following week to be changed.

### P.E

P.E will be on a Wednesday weekly. Children need to come into school in their P.E kits. They need to wear black shorts/joggers, white t-shirt and trainers. Gymnastics will be the focus of this half term.

### Leaning at Home

There are many ways parents can support learning at home. Children have access to many online learning environments such as NumberBots, Oxford Owl Reading, Purple Mash and TT Rock Stars.

### Home Work

Every Friday children will be given homework to be completed. This is to be handed in on a Wednesday. Children will also be sent "Read Write Inc Virtual classroom" videos via Evidence Me to watch at home. These videos will contain the phonic sounds taught that week and will support their learning of reading. We advice that these are watched with an adult to ensure children are engaging with the video.

### Year 1 Topic

Year 1 will continue the topic 'Toys' this term. We will explore the history of toys and how these have changed over time. We will also explore toys around the world.

In English, we will be reading many fantastic stories and recreating them using our own toys. Children will practise their letter formation and learn the difference between capital and lower case letters.

In DT, we will design and then make and sew our very own hand puppet. Then in English we will write instructions on how to make one.

In Art, we are focussing on an artist called Piet Mondrian and will be creating different pieces of art using a range of mediums.

In Geography, we will learn all about the continents and the UK. We will use and label maps of the world.

In R.E, we will explore why Christians celebrate Christmas. We will learn the Christmas story and how Christians celebrate this holiday.

