



Viaduct Federation of Schools

Year 1 Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to Wyvern and to a brand new school year. We have an exciting first part of the Autumn Term planned for Year 1. To ensure the children have a smooth transition into Year 1 we have outlined a program based around the Foundation Stage curriculum and the Year 1 Curriculum. We are really excited to have the children back in school and to start to get to know them as our main focus will be the wellbeing of the children.



Year 1 Teachers



Miss Meek— Head of Year 1 & 2



Mrs Giles— Leopard Class



Miss Sharp- Lion Class



Miss Arcscott- Panther Class



Miss Smietana- Tiger Class

Subject Overview

English

Year 1 will be focusing on our topic 'All About Us'. We will be sharing a story about different children who live all around the world. We will then be looking at 'Funny Bones' focusing on speaking and listening, repetitive language, making nouns interesting by using adjectives and creating our own poetry. We will then move on to our 'Around the World' topic which will involve more non-fiction writing, writing facts and learning a lot of new information about different countries such as Australia, Japan and the Arctic.

Maths

This term in Maths the children will be reading and writing numbers to 20, counting forwards and backwards to 20 and creating representation of numbers to 20. For our place value learning we will partition into tens and ones and the children will be able to represent numbers using objects. We will also look at sequencing events, days of the week and months of the year. They will use concrete and pictorial representation for subtraction to help them subtract one less and subtract 2 one-digit numbers. Finally we will look at division by sharing and making equal groups.

RWI and Spelling

Children will be continuing RWI which they are familiar with from Reception. They will be reviewing their sounds and learning new ones that they may have not come across before. They will have a daily session which will consist of daily reading and writing of words. During their daily Guided Reading session, children will have the opportunity to read, share, discuss and respond to a core text. We will be focusing on reading and writing common exception words weekly during our SPAG (Spelling, punctuation and Grammar) lesson. The children will have their spelling test on a Monday.

Science

We will learn about 'Seasonal Changes (Autumn and Winter)'. The children will learn about the four seasons, with a particular focus on autumn and winter. We will be learning what the word weather means and find out how different types of weather can be measured. We will also observe changes across the seasons by exploring the signs of autumn and winter through nature and wildlife. A range of learning activities are used in this unit including observation, discussion and learning outside.



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Geography

The children will name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. We will also use maps to locate places on maps and plan routes in the local surroundings.

Art

The children explore the primary colours and shading by exploring and being creative. The children will also learn about different artists from around the world and the different techniques they use including the artist Kandinsky.

Computing

Children will learn how to use technology safely and respectfully. Children will identify where to go for help and support when they have concerns online.

PE & Games

For the whole of autumn term staff from Bushfield will be delivering PE and Games for the Year 1 children.

They will be focusing on Outdoor Activities and Health Related Fitness.

PE Kit Reminder: Your child's PE kit needs to be in school at the start of each half term and then left in school until the end of each half term.

Year 1 children have PE on Tuesday.

Music

In Year 1 we have a specialist music lead, Mrs Rawlence, who works with the children once a week to develop a wider appreciation for music and musical styles. This term the focus is on music about the body at the start of the term and then 'music from around the world'.

PSHE

This unit will be focusing on Mental Health. The children will learn the importance of sharing their own opinions and listening to the views of others. They will also discuss communication and how important it is to use manners. We will look at how to stay safe and learn about who to tell if we need help or support.

Home learning

Reading

We ask that children read each day for 10 minutes. Each child in Year 1 will be issued with a level-appropriate reading book provided by school. It really helps their progress if they are heard regularly at home and we would be grateful if you could sign their Personal Log each time you hear them.

Upcoming Events in Autumn 1

- Monday, 19th September – School closed for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's funeral
- Parent's Consultation Evenings 28th and 29th September
- Maths and Science day- 21st October
- Halloween Disco – 20th October



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We have created a Facebook page which will show any news and events across the Viaduct Federation of schools, it is titled 'The Bushfield and Wyvern Viaduct Federation of Schools'. Like us and keep up to date with any fun school events and news!

