



Year 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 One 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 well-being of the children.

Weekly Overview

Year 1 Teachers



Miss Smith- Head of Year 1 & Lion Class



Mrs Gohil - Tiger Class



Mrs Giles—Leopard Class



3rd and 4th September (week 1)

In these first 2 days back we will be introducing the Reception topic of 'Animals and the environment'. All our learning will follow the Early Years Curriculum and the activities will be based around continuous provisions so the children can choose their learning. Our main focus in these 2 days will be getting to know the children and making sure they have the opportunity to settle back in to school life confidently.

Week 2

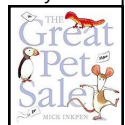
This week we will be continuing our learning on 'Animals and the environment' and in the morning we will have a little bit more structure for our English and Maths sessions but still continuing to deliver the Early Years curriculum in the afternoon.

Maths

The children will be able to add and subtract two single-digit numbers and count on or back to find the answer. They can use the objects to help them with their counting but we will be using number tracks and number lines. They will practise applying their skills in adding and subtracting to number problems. In addition, the children will have the opportunity to carry out practical activities involving doubling and halving.

English

We will be basing our learning around The Great Pet Sale. The children will be recapping their pencil control by forming letters correctly and starting to write in full sentences. The children will also order events from the story and role play being in a pet shop.



Topic

The children will have the opportunity to use the iPads, create jungle pictures using different mediums, design and make animals using a range of construction materials, explore money and investigate the difference between objects, materials and living things.

Week 3

In week 3 we will still be following the Early Years curriculum but continue to deliver whole class teaching for our Maths and English sessions, so in the afternoon our learning will be centred around the children choosing focused activities. Our focus will be the Reception topic of 'Dinosaurs'.

Maths

They will compare the quantity of objects and solve problems. They will solve number problems including doubling, halving, adding and subtracting numbers. The children will use a range of strategies to solve these problems, including counting on and back to find the answer.

English

We will be using the book 'Harry and his bucket full of dinosaurs' to base our learning around. The children will be starting to use adjectives to improve sentences whilst learning facts about dinosaurs.

Topic

The children will talk about past and present events, use Bee-Bots to give and follow instructions, dig for dinosaur bones, explore fossils, create junk model dinosaurs and develop cutting skills by cutting out shapes.



Subject Overviews for Year 1



Week 4

In week 4 we will start the Year 1 topic 'Around the World'. Although we will be following the learning intentions of Year 1 the activities will be centred around continuous provision very similar to Reception.

Week 5—8

For the last 3 weeks we plan to teach the Year 1 curriculum fully, but we understand that this transition may be a tricky time for some of the children so we may adapt this if we need to.

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.

English

For our 'Around the World' topic we will share a variety of texts set in different locations around the world. Our writing focus will be mainly non-fiction which will involve reading facts, writing facts and learning a lot of new information about different countries such as Spain, Japan and the Arctic. The children will write sentences using finger spaces, full stops and capital letters.

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.

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 one children. They will be focusing on multi-skills and team games.

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.

The 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 Relationships and belonging. We will have the chance to discuss the groups which they belong to and how they feel to be part of that specific group. We discuss how to be a good listener to our peers and adults and discuss kind and unkind behaviour. We will explain how to be a positive learner and how important it is to work together and be able to identify good and not so good choices.

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.

Homework

Upcoming Events in 2020

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