

English



In English this half-term, the children will be learning to write their own version of a traditional tale based on the story Goldilocks and the Three Bears where the children will change the characters and the objects in the house of the three bears.

We will then move onto learning how to write an information text about famous landmarks in London. For example, **Big Ben, The Tower of London, The London Eye, Tower Bridge and the River Thames.**

Suggestions of ways you can support your child's English: Please encourage your child to practice writing simple sentences; forming letters correctly and using the correct punctuation and finger spaces. Punctuation for Year 1 is a full stop, a question mark and an exclamation mark. Please also encourage your child to re-read what they have written to check it makes sense.

Science



Our Science topic for this half-term is **Materials**. We will be learning to distinguish between an object and a material; name a variety of everyday materials; describe the properties of everyday materials; compare and group materials based on their properties. We will also be conducting some exciting scientific tests!

wood paper metal fabric glass water plastic rock

PE: 1T and 1J Tuesday and Thursday

Water Bottles: Please ensure that your child brings in a water bottle to help them stay hydrated. If this is a shop bought bottle, please ensure that this is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Merits: All merits will be awarded on a Tuesday for behaviour, reading, spelling test and the maths homework check.

Year 1 Learning Overview Spring 1



Trips and Experiences SAVE THE DATE!

Great Fire of London Day in school: Monday 2nd February 2026

Florence Nightingale Museum:
1J Monday 23rd March 2026
1T Tuesday 24th March 2026

More details to follow!

Maths



In maths this half-term, the children will be learning about place value to 20. We will be ordering numbers and finding one, more and one less. We will be comparing numbers using the language of greater than, less than and equal to. We will also start addition using numbers within 20. We will then learn about 2D and 3D shapes. We will be identifying these in the environment and we will be learning about their properties.
2D circle rectangle triangle square pentagon
2D sphere cube cuboid pyramid cylinder cone

Suggestions of ways you can support your child's Maths: Please use lots of practical resources and real life examples of maths at home to cement your child's understanding. By the end of Year One the children need to be able to count to 100 and back and to write these numbers as digits. They need to be able to write in words numbers 1-20.

Topic



Our History Topic for this half term is London's Burning. We will be finding out about how the Great Fire of London started and how this led to how houses are built today and the introduction of the fire service. We will be using a range of sources to help us to think like historians.



Spellings for this half-term are in your child's learning record book. Please encourage your child to practise these.