



# YEAR 1

## AUTUMN TOPICS

### 2018

Welcome to Year 1! Following feedback from the parent questionnaire, we are adding more guidance to the termly curriculum letter to help you support your child's learning at home. This will continue to evolve over the course of the year but please let us know how we could develop this further in the coming terms.

#### Maths

- Counting on and back including one more and one less. Counting in multiples of 2 and 5.
- Using models and pictorial representations.
- Number bonds.
- Addition and subtraction of 1 digit numbers including the use of symbols.
- Recognising common 2D and 3D shapes.

#### English

- Daily phonics, handwriting and Guided reading
- Grammar: Use of capital letters, finger spaces and full stops in a written sentence.
- Writing genres will include: Lists and labels, Poetry, Stories with a familiar setting and Non-Fiction

#### Science

- Animals including humans
- Light and dark
- Seasonal changes

#### Creative Curriculum

Our Creative Curriculum topic focuses on Science and Geography. We will be looking at our environment and the animals (including humans).  
Our two topics are "Who are you?" and "Surprise."

#### Computing

- Online safety and exploring purple mash.
- Grouping and sorting.
- Pictograms



#### RE and PSHE

- What does it mean to belong?
- Fun times
- Me and others

#### Music

- Exploring sounds and duration

#### PE

- Gymnastics and games
- Dance and gym

#### Art and Design

- Observational drawings
- Designing and making fruit kebabs

#### How to help at home

The children have access to a range of different websites, which will support their learning. They should already know their passwords and be able to access these sites but if there are any problems please let us know.

**Db Primary** – Allows the children to share work with their classmates, check the class pages to see photographs of your child's learning and our half-termly topics.

**Purple Mash** – A new learning platform that supports the children in maths, reading, writing and spelling through a series of games and activities.

**Bug Club** – An online reading programme allowing your child to read a variety of different books allocated by the teacher and answer questions about these.

### **Reading books**

Children can change their reading books once a week. They will be choosing their own books from their book band, with adult support. Listening to your child read regularly really does make a difference. Please write a comment or tick, in the reading record when you have heard them read.

### **Guided Reading**

After the October half-term, children will read in a group with their teacher as part of a weekly Guided Reading session, focusing on developing phonics and comprehension skills.

### **Library books**

Children have the opportunity to visit the school library each week to choose a library book. 1JG and 1AR can change books on Friday. Children can choose a new library book when they return the previous one.

### **Spellings**

Throughout the Autumn term, children will bring home spelling activities and games to complete in their spelling book. These need to be **returned by Friday** and will be sent home with the new activity at the end of the day.

### **DB challenge**

Over the next few weeks we will be introducing DB Primary to the class. Please check this regularly to find out about your child's current learning and the exciting challenges and links that you can try at home.

### **PE Kit**

Please ensure that your child's PE kit is clearly labelled. PE days in Year 1 are: 1JG: Monday and Thursday  
1AR: Tuesday and Thursday.

### **Trips and Visits**

As part of our Geography topic, we will be going on a walk to explore the local area on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Volunteers are

**Can you help?** If you are medical professional (Doctor/ Nurse/ Dentist etc) and would be happy to come into school to talk to the children about your job, please speak to Mrs Glosek or Miss Robertson.

### **Additional Websites**

The following websites may offer additional support.

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/> - Maths and English games

<http://www.ictgames.com/> - Maths and English games

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/> – Maths games and advice

<https://phonicsplay.co.uk/> - phonics games

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games> - curriculum related activities