



## Curriculum Information - Year 1

### Autumn 1- 3rd September – 25th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 1! I am very happy to be working with you and your children this year. I will be at the door every morning if you have any questions for me. P.E. and outdoor learning will be on Mondays. Homework is provided every Friday, on google classroom (or this can be printed off for you).

<b>Autumn 1</b>	
<b>English</b>	This half term we will focus on the texts Hermelin where we will write a thank you letter from one of the characters, Jasper's beanstalk where we write a set of instructions to help family learn how to plant and seed and to look after the plant, Puffin Peter where we will retell the story and make a new ending and Purple is....where we create a list poem using adjectives.
<b>Maths</b>	This half term in maths children will firstly focus on positional language. We will use ordinal numbers to describe position (first, second..). We will look at words to describe turn (quarter turn..). We will then move onto finding patterns in numbers by using 10s frames and positioning numbers of counters in different ways to show less than, more than and equal to. Following this we will look at the positioning of numbers on a number line and will consider how we know where each number belongs. We will complete the half term looking at addition and subtraction using part whole models.
<b>Science</b>	Our science topic is seasonal change. We will make mobiles which show the seasons, the months and the typical weather for each season. We will look at changes through the year in terms of clothing, trees and daylight hours. We will use thermometers to measure temperature and we will finish the half term by making our own weather reports!
<b>PE</b>	We will have a PE session every Monday and children should come to school dressed in their PE kit every Monday. This half term we will focus on ball skills and developing skills to dribble a ball with hands and feet. We will practise working with a partner.
<b>RE</b>	In R.E. we will learn about families and consider who are my family and how families show love and care. We will then find out about Baptism and consider belonging and how we are invited to belong to God's family.
<b>Humanities Arts Computing</b>	Geography - Our geography topic is what is it like here? We will start by looking at aerial photos of the school before making our own plans of the classroom and school grounds. Children will talk about what they like and dislike about our playground before visiting a local playground and then bringing their ideas back to decide how they could improve what we already have in our playground or add to it. Art - Our art topic is making our mark. Our inspiration will be the work of Bridget Riley. We will make lines with sting and chalk before exploring the lines of Zaria Forman in seascapes. We will then draw shapes before drawing from observation.

	Computing - We will start by teaching the children to log on, how to access purple mash and to use it and to be aware of how to stay safe when using the computer.
<b>Home Learning</b>	Homework will be set every Friday on Google Classroom or will be printed off for you: Reading ( 1 library book and 1 reading book per week) Phonics activity. Maths activity. Maths numbot practice.

### **Weather and outdoor learning**

As the weather may be hot or cold this half term, please ensure your child brings to school a jumper or cardigan and that they have a suitable coat and shoes to wear to enable them to take part in outdoor learning. Please provide a pair of wellingtons which we will store in our class outdoor box. Please make sure your child does not wear jewellery to school and that any earrings are simple studs. Please also ensure your child brings to school a **named water bottle each day and a hat if it is hot.**

**Continue to check the school newsletter, website and Facebook page for important dates and information.**

Should you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss please email [year1@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk](mailto:year1@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk) or phone the school to make a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your support

Mrs Roycroft

Year 1 Teacher