



Curriculum Information - Year 1

Autumn 1- 4th September – 20th October 2023

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 Thursday. Homework is currently provided every Friday, on google classroom. This half term our topic will focus on Me and my family. English will be linked to key books with daily phonics and reading sessions. Maths and R.E. will be taught discretely.

English	This half term we will focus on the texts Coming to England where we will write a mini-autobiography (labelling pictures), Farmer duck where we retell the story (writing short sentences) and Plenty of Love to go around where we will write a class information book about pets (labels and short sentences).
Maths	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 also use language to describe the position of an object (between..) We will then move onto finding patterns in numbers by using 10s frames and positioning numbers of counters in different ways.
Science	Our science topic is humans and their senses. We will label parts of the body and consider the job of each part of the body before carrying out investigations using our 5 senses. We will think about how to make our test fair and communicate what we found out.
PE	We will have a PE session every Thursday and children should come to school dressed in their PE kit every Thursday. 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.
RE	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.
Humanities Arts Computing	History - Our history topic is about my family history. We will be looking at differences between our grandparents' childhoods and our own. Art - We will be making self-portraits. Our inspiration will be the work of Paul Klee. Computing - We will start by teaching the children to log in and to be aware of how to stay safe when using the computer.
Home Learning	Homework will be set every Friday on Google Classroom: Reading (1 library books and 1 reading book per week) Phonics activity. Maths numbot practice.

Weather

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 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 or phone the school to make a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your support

Mrs Roycroft

Year 1 Teacher