

Curriculum Newsletter

Primary 1 Term 1 2026



CELEBRATE!



The World Around Us (Science, Geography and History)

Our first theme in Primary 1 is Birthdays. The children will learn how to make this celebration special by creating their own invitations, birthday cards, place mats, party hats, decorations and much more. We will end the topic with our very own P1 Hallowe'en Party in school.

After Hallowe'en our term will be split into two themes. Firstly, in our autumn theme, the children will be looking at the different signs of autumn and make a little hedgehog home. For this, the pupils will require an empty shoe box with their name clearly marked on it.

Santa's Workshop will be our second theme. The children will be busy helping Santa's elves make some toys and decorations. To create some Christmas cheer, the children can bring a Santa hat to school.

Science:

Experiment 1 – States of Matter - Making Jelly – what happens when you add heat?

Experiment 2 – Movement & Energy – Car Race – how to make cars go faster/slower.

Mathematics:

Our Maths Mastery scheme will focus on

- **Early mathematical experiences** - Classifying objects, matching, comparing and ordering sets
- **Patterns** - recognise, describe and create a pattern
- **Numbers within 6** – counting, recognising, ordering
- **Measures** – order, compare and discuss capacity, weight and length
- **Shape and sorting** – describe and sort 3D shapes through everyday objects

Literacy:

- **Phonological Awareness** – games that help develop listening, visual memory and auditory memory skills through rhyme
- **Phonics** – Two sounds introduced each week after Hallowe'en (s a t i p n c k e)
- **Writing** – correct formation of these letters each week
- **Poetry Writing** – creating a class poem about stars

ICT: - Computational Thinking and Coding

Children will be learning how to program a device (Bee Bot) to move forwards and backwards to solve a puzzle.

What else is happening this term?

Homework : Homework will be set weekly on Seesaw. This will consist of literacy and a little number. Up to Hallowe'en we'll be focusing on Phonological Games. After Hallowe'en we'll move onto 2 sounds per week. Each week your child will have a little mental game to play.

PE : Games – developing spatial awareness, balancing, catching, kicking, dribbling, striking and throwing skills.

Investigative Play: We have adapted our play sessions into 5 key areas this term. 3 areas outside – Den Building, Construction Mud play and 2 inside areas – Block Play and Creative/Role Play. FS will play outside together and separate for inside play.

We are also hoping to replenish our existing stock. Below is a small list of items. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

- Clothes to dress up in, shirts/dresses/football tops/shorts etc.. That an older brother/sister no longer wear.
- Guttering, pipes, tubing – all with smooth edge.

School Photographer – Wednesday 7th October.

Flu immunisation - Friday 6th November.

Blended Learning: Mathseeds (online) This will be used as part of our Blended Learning. Your child will be encouraged to complete an assigned task. If an assigned homework has been placed in Mathseeds, I'll notify you on Seesaw. Your child must complete this before playing other games.

1. Hand up to speak

2. Work quietly



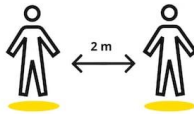
3. Listen



4. Wash hands often



5. Sit a little apart
on mat



6. Play a little apart



Playground Rules.

1. Line up quietly



2. Use kind words



3. Share



4. Use gentle hands

