



# Welcome to Year 1



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## David Attenborough Class:

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This term we will be learning about our School's Local Area, we will explore the use of maps and construct a key. This will include going for a walk around the school grounds. The children will be making their own cars in DT, using wheels and axels which they can use to transport around their maps. This draws links with our Science focus this term—Everyday Materials—where the children will name and categorise different materials. Please remember to keep an eye out on Tapestry for all the exciting learning that is taking place in Year 1!

## **PE Days:**

Please ensure your child **comes to school dressed for outdoor PE on the correct day**. Please make sure they are wearing layers and have a waterproof coat for rainy days.

**Thursday (outdoor) & Friday (indoor)**

## **Homework**

Homework books will be sent home every Friday. The children will need to complete their tasks and return their book by the following Wednesday. The Homework will be a Maths focus, linking to the learning that we have taught in the week. They will also be bringing home a copy of our Talk for Writing story map each term so they can continue to practise our new story at home.

## **Reading at home:**

We expect all of the children to read for 10 minutes every day at home. Please write a comment or date and sign their reading diary to let us know that they have read. Your child will be given a reading book on a Monday for the week. They must remember to bring it to school every day. We will collect all books in on a Friday and will issue a new book every Monday.

## **Reminders & Considerations**

Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the school day. They should come to school each day with a waterproof coat. In Year 1 we have our own outdoor area, therefore the children will be outdoors in all weathers.



# Long, long ago....Can we find our way around school?



Year 1

Term **Autumn 1**

Subject Focus: **Geography**

## Some special events this term:

Stunning Start: Exploring the new classroom!

Motivating Middle: A visit from the wolf!

Explosive End: Walk to Grafton Park.

## Trips and Visitors:

We will be visiting Grafton Park to observe seasonal changes as part of our Science topic!

## Values Passport

Each month your child will be asked to focus on one of our values at home. Inside the passport there are suggestions on how your child can show the value. Fill the passport in and your child will receive a badge from school. We will then keep the passport until the end of the month and then hand it back. There is also a special '**Love Your Neighbour**' badge that the children can earn— see your child's passport for more details!

## The value(s) we are practising this term are:

September – Love

October—Resilience

## Our School community:

Macmillan coffee morning

Healthy Eating Week

Black History Month



high aspirations  
talent expectations  
knowledge

curriculum  
skills  
community  
children  
positive role model  
heritage

enthusiasm  
outstanding progress  
friendly purpose

relevant cultural experience  
curiosity love of learning  
love of literature range

## Literacy

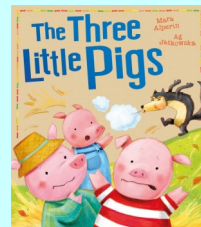
**Key Texts:** *Avacado baby, Elmer, The Elephant and the Bad boy, Silly Billy, Mixed and Ruby's Worry.*

**Purpose for writing:** Defeat the monster and a journey story.

**Writing:** *Children will be learning the story 'The Three Little Pigs' through talk for writing. We will draw a story map and learn to retell the text. Our focus this term is on simple sentence structure.*

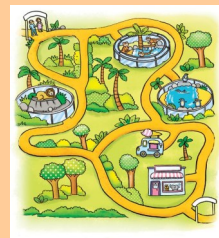
**Shared reading:** *We will be focusing on how to take care of books and how we handle books this term. We will then be learning how to make simple predictions based on a text and learn the meaning of new vocabulary.*

**Phonics:** We will be revisiting Phase 3 and Phase 4 phonics using Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised.



## Geography

In Geography we will be looking at our School's local area. We will be learning about physical and human features of the local environment. The children will learn how to draw a map, and construct maps and keys.



## DT

**Focus:** Systems: Wheels and Axels.

*Make a car to transport around the local area.*

## PSHE & Relationships education

**Focus:** Me and My Relationships

Children will develop a good understanding of and build on strategies to help cope with feelings/ emotions, conflict resolution/ friendships.

### Role Models for this half term:

Morey Gompertz (Love)

David Attenborough (Resilience)

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## Computing

**Kapow Computing**

**Focus:** 'Getting Started' Login, navigate and mouse skills.

## PE

**Focus:** Games

"Fundamental skills"

Control, co-ordination, move safely, take turns, throwing, rolling, catching and aiming.

## Music

**Focus:** Hey you! How pulse, rhythm and pitch work together.

## Maths

**Key Facts:** Count to 20 and know 1 more/1 less of a given number. Doubles and halves to 10

**Number:** In Maths the focus for the first half-term will be on Number and Place value within 10. This includes reading and writing numbers, ordering numbers, saying which is greater than and less than, and counting forwards and backwards.

**Addition and Subtraction within 10:** The children will be focusing on adding and taking away within 10 using resources and instant recall of number bonds within 10.

## Science

**Focus:** Physics and Chemistry—Everyday Materials

The children will be learning to name and identify everyday materials to include wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, rock, brick, paper, fabric, elastic, foil, card/cardboard, rubber, wool, clay.

## RE

**Focus:** Unit 1:8 Thematic

Who am I? What does it mean to belong?

