



Year 1 Autumn 2025 Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to Year 1! We are very impressed with how quickly the children have settled in and we are enjoying getting to know them. The Pillars of our Curriculum underpin everything we do and you will start to hear the children talk about Sustainability and Change, Diversity and Equality and Aspiration and Wellbeing as their knowledge and understanding grows. Our school values of Trust, Respect and Determination are linked to our school rules and will prepare your children for the ever-changing world which lies in front of them. We hope they have a very happy and enjoyable year.

School Trip/ First Hand Experiences

As part of our Geography topic, 'My Special corner of the world', we will be helping Binky Bear (who has travelled from the city of Winchester to the village of Otterbourne on the No.1 bus), to find our school. We will be going to the bus stop and thinking about the directions he needs to find us.

PE and Games

We are very lucky to have R & R teaching outdoor games every Thursday afternoon. Children will need arrive at school in their outside PE kit. We will also be starting our Write Dance PE sessions on a Friday morning. Please, make sure every item is named! **Your child will need a white / house coloured t-shirt, black shorts for PE and a plain tracksuit and trainers for R&R sports .**



Diversity and Equality—through our topics, Year 1 will be looking at how every place is different and how that makes our world an interesting place.

Playtimes/Outside Learning

We want to get outside "whatever the weather" so children really do need a coat everyday in school.

As well as this, wellies should be in school in a named bag please.

Thank you!

Key Dates:

Our parent drop session is Thursday 18th September from 3.30—4pm
Parent consultation evenings - 6th & 8th October.

Homework Reminders:

Please listen to your child read on a daily basis, and support your child with practising their phonics and tricky words.

Spellings will be sent home on a Wednesday ready for the spelling quiz the following Wednesday.

Overview of learning for the Autumn Term

Maths	English
Maths Overview Please follow the above link to our website for more details	English Overview Please follow the above link to our website for more details
Science	Music
Learning how to be a scientist and being scientific with trees. Our longitudinal Study will be on trees.	We will be learning about rhythm and pulse and practising our Nativity.
Geography	History
My special corner of the world—children explore where their school is in the world, understand its proximity to Winchester as a major city, recognise key features of their school and learn more about Otterbourne as a village.	Toys—change in living memory. The children will be comparing toys from the past with toys from the present.
Art and Design	RE
Designing Playgrounds. Colour mixing using primary colours.	Understanding the meaning of 'creation' and the Christmas Story..
PSHE	PE
Children will learning about developing high aspirations and keeping safe.	Building essential motor skills through "Write Dance".
Computing	
We will be learning to use Bee-Bots and keeping safe online.	

Library Books: We will visit the library every Friday

Mission of the Month - developing positive learning behaviours:

September - Perseverance

October - Reasoning

November - Imagining

