



Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter – Summer Term 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful spring break, and the children are all refreshed and ready for the new term. Please find below a summary of the main learning areas we will be focusing on during this term, as well as some general reminders.

Homework

Reading- children are advised to read for at least 10 minutes, 5 times a week from their school reading book. In your child's reading diary, you can record their school reading books as well as any other reading your child has done at home.

Spelling Shed- children can log onto their account to play spelling games.

NumBots- children are expected to engage with this online platform on a weekly basis.

P.E.

Year 1 will have their PE session on a Thursday for Summer term. However, timetables do change so we kindly ask that your child has their P.E. kit in school **every day**. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate clothing and footwear in school for P.E. lessons – a white t-shirt, navy shorts, plimsolls/trainers, a warm top, and jogging trousers. Could you please also ensure that earrings are removed on our P.E. day due to health and safety reasons. Children are **NOT** able to take part in P.E. sessions if wearing earrings.

Plastic Bags.

For health and safety reasons, please do not send plastic bags to school with your child.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Edwards and Mrs Thai.

Summer Term 2025 Curriculum Areas for KS1



History

Children will learn about significant explorers and how their journeys helped us understand more about the world. They will begin to understand how these discoveries have influenced our lives today.



Computing

Children will develop their confidence using a computer mouse through fun activities and games. They will also learn important online safety rules, including how to stay safe and who to talk to if they are unsure about something online.

Geography



Pupils will explore life in Shanghai, comparing it to where they live. They will learn about the city's features, culture and environment, helping them understand similarities and differences between places around the world.

Science



Pupils will learn about different animals, including humans, and begin to compare their features. They will explore basic scientific skills such as observing, identifying and grouping, as well as asking simple questions and carrying out investigations.



Art

Pupils will experiment with weaving techniques using a variety of materials. They will develop their creativity and fine motor skills while exploring patterns, textures and colours to create their own woven artwork.



Religion and World Views

Children will explore why caring for others is important, looking at different beliefs and stories from a range of religions and worldviews. They will discuss kindness, respect and how their actions can make a positive difference to people around them.



Music

Pupils will begin to recognise and understand simple musical symbols. They will explore rhythm and sound, using instruments and their voices to create and follow basic musical patterns.



P.E.

This half term children will be doing 'Tennis' and 'Athletics'. Next half term the children will be learning cricket skills.



D.T.

Children will design and make their own puppets, learning simple joining techniques and thinking about how their puppets will be used. In food technology, they will prepare and make healthy smoothies, learning about fruits, basic food preparation and hygiene.



P.H.S.E.

The children will learn about the topic of 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me'.