

English

Texts: The Storm Whale, Atlas of Ocean Adventures, Clean Up, Amelia Earhart

Reading

Can I listen to stories and non-fiction books at a level beyond that which I can read independently?

Can I link what I read or hear to my own experiences?

Can I apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words?

Can I read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that I have been taught?

Can I read aloud accurately books that are consistent with my developing phonic knowledge and that do not require me to use other strategies to work out words?

Writing

Can I write sentences by: 1. saying out loud what I am going to write about? 2. by composing a sentence orally before writing it?

Can I leave spaces between words?

Can I form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place?

Spelling

Can I spell some of the common exception words for Year 1?

Can I write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the sounds and common exception words taught so far?

Science

Animals including Humans

- Can I identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals?
- Can I identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores?
- Can I describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets)?
- Can I identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense?

Scientific Enquiry

- Can I ask simple questions and recognise that they can be answered in different ways?
- Can I identify and classify?
- Can I gather and record data to help in answering questions?

Seasonal Changes

- Can I observe changes from Winter to Spring?
- Can I observe and describe associated weather?

Maths

Place Value

- Can I count forwards and backwards?
- Can I write numbers to 20 in words and numerals?
- Can I compare, group and order numbers?
- Can I understand tens and ones in numbers to 20 and then 50?
- Do I know my numbers to 50 and can I represent them?
- Can I compare objects and numbers within 50?
- Can I tell you 1 more and 1 less within 50?
- Can I count in 2s and 5s?

Addition & Subtraction

- Can I add by counting on?
- Can I find and make number bonds?
- Can I add by making 10?
- Can I subtract with and without crossing 10?
- Can I recognise related facts?
- Can I compare number sentences?

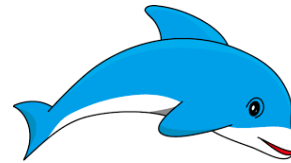
Measures

- Can I compare length and height?
- Can I measure lengths?
- Can I find out about weight and mass; capacity and volume?
- Can I measure and compare mass and capacity?

Year 1

**Spring Term
2026**

Living Creatures



Trip to The Deep: Wednesday 4th February

Puppet Making Workshop Thursday 26th February at 9am

History **Lives of Significant Individuals**

- Can I learn about Amelia Earheart?
- Can I learn about the local hero, Amy Johnson?
- Can I understand and use vocabulary linked to the passing of time?
- Can I find answers about the past using different sources of information?
- Can I recognise that my life is different from that of people in the past?

Geography

- Big Question: **How do we look after Animals?**
- Can I locate and name the continents on a World Map? Can I locate countries linked with animals I study?
- Can I study Human Geography, looking at features and land use in different places?

Computing

Algorithms

- Begin to use and create simple algorithms.

Programming

- Making Bee bots work by programming them.

RE **Islam**

- How is Allah described in the Qur'an?
- What do Muslims learn from the Qur'an?
- What do Muslims do to express their beliefs?
- How do they celebrate?

PSHE

- Secrets and keeping safe.
- Valuing differences. Respecting each other.
- Recognising feelings of others and sharing our own feelings.

SMSC

- What are British Values and how do they link to me?
- Can we accept and celebrate people's similarities and differences?
- What reflective practises I can use?

Music

Reviewing, composing and performing music.

Art & Design

- Can I explore colour, making secondary colours and mixing shades/hues of a colour?
- Can I paint and print with different objects and choose different size brushes for specific tasks?

Design & Technology

- Can I explore textiles?
- Can I use templates when making products?
- Can I join different textiles in different ways?
- Making puppets.

Hook Day:

Under The Sea
Friday 9th January

PE **Gymnastics & Dance**

Jumping and Turning
Animal Dance

The Wider Curriculum & Key Dates

- RSPB Big School Bird Watch – January
 - We will be completing activities linked to this across January, including bird-spotting in the school grounds and making bird feeders from recycled materials.
- Martin Luther King Jr Day – January 19th
 - In year one we will be looking at Martin’s message of unity and making peace doves.
- Energy Saving Week – January 19th
 - Children will become energy saving monitors around the classroom and school and plan for how we can save energy in many ways.
- Children’s Mental Health Week – February 9th
 - We will look at the positive impact of art and baking. We will make some snacks to share with each other and create a “belonging” mosaic.
- Safer Internet Day – February 10th
- Ramadan – February 17th
 - We will observe the start of Ramadan by having a visitor from the local mosque, as part of our learning about Islam.
- Shrove Tuesday – February 17th
- World Book Day – March 5th
 - This will be a fantastic day of celebrating reading for pleasure. We will be dressing up and taking part in lots of fun activities.
- International Women’s Day – March 9th
 - We will celebrate this event on the 9th and learn about some significant individuals who have achieved some amazing things.
- Science Week – March 9th
 - Across this week we will conduct lots of exciting science investigations.
- Comic Relief – March 20th
 - For this special fundraiser we will do some exciting baking activities.
- Easter – March 30th
 - As part of observing Easter we will have celebrations in the final week. More information will follow.