

Curriculum Newsletter for year 1 and 2 Autumn 1 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first half term of the year. This will be a busy half-term for the children; they will be settling into their new classes and getting to know the adults working with them. We would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term. This years team is Mrs Gujral and Ms Wu.

PE day is **Wednesday**. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them. We also do a ‘Daily Mile’ and your child should have appropriate footwear for this so Please remember to bring in trainers everyday.

Homework- will go out **Thursday** and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on **Tuesday**. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school on time.

Our Topic for this half term is ‘Toys through time’.

This half term we will be visiting ‘Rio Cinema’ to watch the movie about Christopher Robin as our whole school theme is based on ‘Winnie the Pooh’.

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy we will be writing simple sentences using ideas from our favourite books, this term will be reading 'Winnie the Pooh' as well as our story time magazines. We will also be learning to use connectives and adjectives in our writing. We will be developing our use of adjectives and looking at noun phrases.

In Numeracy our key skills focus will be on counting in multiples of different numbers. We will also work on place value and number bonds to 10 and 20 and use these to help us solve addition and subtraction problems. We will practise our 2's, 5's and 10's timestables. Also in verbal reasoning we are working on 'sorting words and sentences into groups'.

In Jewish Studies we will be focussing on the Jewish festivals of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah as well as recognising and orally practising how to say letters and name family members in Ivrit.

In Humanities, our focus is on history. We will be looking at toys from the past. We will exploring what makes a toy new and old. We will also look at how material for toys has changed over the years.

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Toys

Our Science work will focus on 'Animals including Humans 'Human features'. We will name and label the parts of the animal and human body.

We will be learning about the five senses and investigating how they are needed by the body.

In Ivrit, we will learning about the alphabet and families.. In year 2, we will be looking at how to say different toys in Ivrit.

In Art, we will be working with Clay, exploring different techniques and using our knowledge to create our own clay pots.

In music we will be exploring durations. In particular the purpose of long and short notes.

In RE we will be learning about all the different religions and what each religions symbol looks like..

In PSHCE we will be discussing our rights and responsibilities for our class and school and why they are important.

In Computing we will be using Beebots using directional vocabulary and implementing it by coding.

We will also be using ipads to research for our topic and science lessons.

In PE we will be playing ball games and learning and developing throwing, catching, rolling and kicking skills to play games.