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Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter 2025-2026

Dear Parents,

Here at West Winch Primary School we welcome and encourage the important link between home and school. We would like you to be fully involved with your child's education. This letter tells you about the topics, curriculum content and homework your child will be working on during Year 1. Our page on the school website also contains useful information and a copy of the curriculum presentation.

The children are settling in well to life in Year 1. They are coping well with more work and less play, as well as starting to understand how things are different from being in the Reception class.

Class Curriculum Map

This can also be found on our class page on the school website. It may change slightly as the year goes on, but will give you a good idea of what the children will be learning each term.

West Winch Primary School – Annual Curriculum Map Year 1 – 2025 to 2026



Autumn Term – 1 st half		Spring Term – 1 st half		Summer Term – 1 st half	
Science	Animals including humans	Science	Everyday materials	Science	Plants Observe and record seasonal changes
History	-	History	Kings and Queens	History	-
Geography	Where in the world do I live?	Geography	-	Geography	-
Art & Design	Monochromatic – what is drawing?	Art & Design	-	Art & Design	-
Music	Music Man	Music	Music Man	Music	Charanga; Music Man
PE	Fitness; Tag rugby	PE	Gymnastics; Golf	PE	Tennis; rounders
DT		DT	-	DT	Food and Nutrition
Computing	Computing systems and networks – Technology around us	Computing	Programming A – moving a robot	Computing	Creating media – Digital writing
RE	How did the world begin?	RE	What is God's job?	RE	How do we know that new babies are special?
PSHE	Twinkl scheme: Relationships - TEAM	PSHE	Twinkl scheme: Living in the wider world – Diverse Britain	PSHE	Twinkl scheme: Health and Wellbeing – It's my body
Autumn Term – 2 nd half		Spring Term – 2 nd half		Summer Term – 2 nd half	
Science	Seasonal changes	Science	-	Science	-
History	Toys	History	Hospitals and healthcare – Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell	History	Local history
Geography	-	Geography	Fieldwork – My local park	Geography	-
Art & Design	Sculpture	Art & Design	Chromatic – abstract art	Art & Design	Monochromatic
Music	Music Man; Christmas production	Music	Music Man	Music	Music Man
PE	Dance; badminton	PE	Handball; Football	PE	Athletics; cricket
DT	Construction – Toy makings workshop	DT	-	DT	Textiles
Computing	Creating media – Digital painting	Computing	Data and information – Grouping data	Computing	Programming B – introduction to animation
RE	What do some people believe God looks like?	RE	Why should we care for the world?	RE	Why should we care for others?
PSHE	Twinkl scheme: Health and wellbeing – Think positive	PSHE	Twinkl scheme: Relationships – Be yourself	PSHE	Twinkl scheme: Living in the wider world – Aiming high

Homework

One of the most important ways to support your child in Year 1 is to read their school books regularly at home. We always take note of your comments, so please be honest about how well they have done! Reading books are changed regularly (where needed) on Mondays and Thursdays.

All children will continue to have a library book to bring home to read for pleasure. These can be changed weekly, if the children would like to, and usually on a Friday. Please help your child to look after these books, as it can be very easy for them to get mixed in with any books that you may already have at home.

In the next few days, the children will be given a book with their homework inside. Homework should usually be done in **pencil** so that they can correct any mistakes neatly. Books will usually be sent home on a Wednesday and returned by the next Wednesday.

The children also have weekly spellings to learn. These are sent home on a Friday to be learned for the next Friday.

Phonics Shed

As I am sure you now know, we use the Phonics Shed scheme for our phonics teaching in school. We aim to match the reading books your child brings home with the sounds that we are learning so that they can make the very best progress possible.

We aim for children to be reading books from book band 7 (turquoise) by the end of Year 1.

7	Turquoise	End of Year 1
6	Orange	
5	Green	
4	Blue	End of Reception
3	Yellow	End of Reception

PE

PE for Year 1 is on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and the children should have their PE kits in school every day in case PE teaching is moved. It would be great if earrings could be removed at home on PE days, but they can also be covered (with plasters or micropore tape) for PE lessons. If you wish your child to keep their earrings in for PE, please send in plasters or micropore tape for them to use, or cover them at home before coming to school. School adults are not allowed to help with taking earrings out or putting them back in. Long hair should also be tied back on these days.

Outdoor learning

We will continue to use the *outdoor learning space* when we can this year. Our sessions are on either Tuesday or Wednesday afternoons to fit in with other classes. If you would like to send in wellies for your child to wear, please feel free to do so. Please make sure they are clearly named.

Please help

I would be really grateful if you could make sure that all uniform, drink bottles and snack bags/lunch boxes are **clearly labelled with your child's name**. We have already had to search for some missing items and it is difficult to find the right ones when they are not named. I would also like to ask that you help and encourage your child to look after school reading, library, homework and spelling books so that they do not get lost, spoiled or ruined. It really helps if all children have a school book bag as this allows us to help keep everything safely together.

I hope you have found this letter useful. If you have any questions, please send me an email or make an appointment to meet me and I will do my best to help.

Many thanks for your support!

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