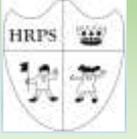


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Tuesday 24th February 2026

KS1 – Year 1 - Spring 2 - Curriculum Map

Overview of topics: 'Sustainability, 'Weather in the UK' and 'The Easter Story'

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter the second half term of Spring Term in Year 1, we would like to share with you the key topics and themes that your children will be exploring over the coming weeks.

In maths, Year 1 will be looking at larger numbers to 50 and investigating the way these are made up of tens and ones. We will begin to look at concepts linked in with Measurement such as length, height, mass and volume. We will continue to practice our arithmetic skills and develop our reasoning skills with the support of our daily Mastering Number sessions and the use of sentence stems.

In English, we will be continuing to learn about writing to entertain linked with narrative techniques. The linked read will be Madlenka by Peter Sis and Martha Maps it Out by Leigh Hodgkinson. Lastly, we will be developing our knowledge further and looking at the features of Poetry. We will be engaging with Performance Poems and the poems we will be reading will be poems to Perform by Julia Donaldson

In Science, we will be learning about Sustainability. We will learning what the term 'sustainability' is, identifying steps that can be made by individuals to make more sustainable choices, understanding the impact of becoming more sustainable and identifying where our food comes from.

In Geography, our topic is looking at what the weather is like in the UK. We will learn to identify and locate the four UK countries, recognise our own country and describe locations using basic compass directions. We will also measure different types of weather, using symbols used in weather forecasts, describe seasonal changes and suggest appropriate clothing and activities for each season.

In Computing, we will begin to look at data and ways in which to group it. We will use Google Classroom to access our work and begin to hand it in digitally. By the end of the term, we will be confident in accessing the Chromebooks and internet independently.

In DT, Year 1 will be looking at designing, making and evaluating Structures. We will focusing on freestanding structures which will be created combining and joining cardboard and wood. Year 1 will select and use tools, use their skills and techniques, explain their choices, select new and reclaimed materials and construction kits to build their structures and use simple finishing techniques suitable for the structure they are creating.

In our PSHE sessions we will be using the Jigsaw scheme of work to discuss a 'Healthy Me'. We will be learning different ways to keep ourselves clean and healthy

In our RE lessons, we will be looking at the Easter Story. We will learn why Easter matters to Christians. We will understand the meaning of new beginnings, what season signifies new beginnings for plants and animals, understand why Christians believe the Easter story has a happy ending and how Christians prepare for Easter.

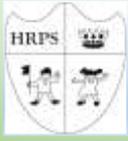
In Music, we will listen and sing to 'Round And Round' by Joanna Mangona. We will engage in Musical Activities which will help us learn and build on our knowledge and understanding about the interrelated dimensions of music through warm-up games, flexible games, learn to sing the song, play instruments with the song and improvise with the song.

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In PE, Year 1 will be exploring and learning about Health and Wellbeing engaging with different indoor PE activities. We will also learn ball skills focusing on using our hands when completing outdoor PE activities. Our PE days are on Thursday and Friday. Children should come to school in their PE clothes.

Home learning

- Spelling tests are on a Thursday with new spellings set each Friday.
- Reading records are checked every Thursday.

Key Dates for Year 1 – Spring 2

World Book Day	Thursday 5 th March 2026
Parent Consultation Evening	Monday 23 rd March – 3.45pm to 6.15pm (Appointments will be posted on Class Dojo)
Parent Consultation Evening	Thursday 26 th March – 4pm to 7pm (Appointments will be posted on Class Dojo)

Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch either on the door or via class dojo.

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