



# Houghton Regis Primary School

*'Growing minds, shaping futures and inspiring lifelong learning'*



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Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## **KS1 – Year 1 – Summer 1 - Curriculum Map**

Overview of topics: 'Plants', 'Changes within living memory – Toys', 'Special Places' and 'Printing'

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter the first half term of the Summer 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 Multiplication and Division. We will be learning to count in 2s, 10s, 5s, equal groups, make arrays and doubles and grouping and sharing. We will also begin learning about Fractions. Linked with this, we will be learning about recognising and finding halves and quarters of shapes and numbers. We will begin to look at concepts linked in with Geometry such as position and direction. 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 looking at Letters! The linked read will be Letters to a Monster written by Patricia Forde. We will continue to learn about writing to entertain linked with narrative techniques. The linked read will be Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion written by Alex T. Smith. We will also be revisiting Poetry. The linked read will be Out and About written by Shirley Hughes.

In Science, we will be learning about plants. We will explore our local habitat and identify local plants, observe changes in plant growth over time, identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees and identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants.

In History, we will be looking at changes within living memory in particular, toys and how they have changed over time. We will be focussing on comparing modern-day toys with those that our parents and grandparents played with when they were younger. By the end of the term, children will be able to discuss similarities and differences between modern and older toys and plot where these would appear on a timeline.

In Computing, as users of Technology, we will look at 'Moving Robots'. We will use the BeeBots to build our understanding of programming. By the end of the term, we will be able to explain what the terms 'code', 'algorithm' and 'program' mean and apply these in our work.

In Art, we will be looking at Printing. We will design a piece of art based on a chosen illustrator, apply what we have learnt through our recent learning, select the materials and tools we will need, follow a design, choose appropriate materials, tools, and techniques and use finishing techniques to improve the overall quality of their product.

In our PSHE sessions we will be using the Jigsaw scheme of work to discuss a 'Relationships'. We will be learning about families, making friends, greetings, people who help us, being our own best friend and celebrating our special relationships.

In our RE lessons, we will be learning about special places that are special to Christians, Buddhists and Muslims. We will learn why the words 'sacred' and 'holy' are used and what they mean, we will learn about the objects

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that might go inside religious buildings and we will talk about what makes some places special to people and what the difference is between religious and non-religious special places.

In Music, we will be looking at 'Your Imagination' by Joanna Mangona and Pete Readman. This is a song about using our imagination. All the learning is focused around one song: Your Imagination. The material presents an integrated approach to music where games, the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc), singing and playing instruments are all linked.

In PE, Year 1 will be exploring and learning about Locomotion: Jumping with different indoor PE activities. We will also learn skills using rackets, bats and balls 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 – Summer 1**

Year 1 Phonics Screen Check Workshop – 2.30pm Hall	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April
Purple Class Assembly – 2.45pm Hall	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April
Coral Class Assembly – 2.45pm Hall	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April
Bank Holiday – School closed to all	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Half Term holidays	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May
Phonics Screening Check Week	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June
Sports Day – 9.30am Field	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June
Houghton Regis Library Visit	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 1 Trip – Wardown Park Museum	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June

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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