



Here are some of the exciting things we are learning about in Year 1 this term...

English	Mathematics
<p>Our first book is Oliver’s Vegetables, we will be looking carefully at the plot, character’s and setting in the story and we will be creating Oliver’s Diary about his week-long stay with his Grandparents. We will also be learning to write simple poems about the different vegetables in the text.</p> <p>Later on in the term we will be sharing The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch and other stories. We will be thinking about different endings for the story and creating a new lunch for The Lighthouse Keeper</p> <p>In our Phonics sessions children will be consolidating their knowledge of Phase 3 and Phase 5 sounds and practising reading real and nonsense words in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check in June.</p>	<p>This term children will be learning about multiplication and division, they will be counting in 2’s, 5’s and 10’s and adding equal groups together. They will also be making equal groups and sharing quantities. Then we will learn about fractions and how to find a half or a quarter of a shape or quantity. Later on, we will return to the topic, Place Value and children will learn to partition and compare numbers up to 100. Then we shall be learning how to order numbers and find one more than or one less than any given number within 100. We shall also be identifying coins and notes and counting coins. During our topic about time, we will be learning to tell the time to the hour and half hour.</p>
Theme	
<p>In our Geography work, we shall be thinking about how to improve our local area and children will be undertaking simple fieldwork in the school grounds and the immediate area. Our focus for art activities is the garden, we shall be looking closely at the work of Monet and Matisse. We will be using a range of print and painting techniques to produce some garden art of our own. We will also be developing our colour mixing and shading skills. Our theme will be food for our D.T. sessions and we will be learning to safely prepare fruit and vegetables.</p>	
Science	
<p>This term in Science, we will be looking at Seasonal Changes between Spring and Summer. We will continue to use our class weather station to observe, measure and record the weather across the seasons and will start to make comparisons between the two seasons as well as across all four seasons (weather, animals, clothing, activities). We will take our learning outdoors to observe, discuss and work scientifically by collecting and interpreting simple data. We will continue to explore plants and growth from our Spring topic, observing the changes in growth over time and building on our knowledge of naming parts of the plant and flower.</p>	
Computing	Music
<p>In Computing, we will be focusing on Coding and Spreadsheets in Purple Mash. In Coding, we will learn the skills on ‘2Code’ to use code to make a computer program. We will understand what object and actions are, and use an event to control an object and design our own commands. We will learn what a spreadsheet program looks like using 2Calculate, and learn how to enter data into spreadsheet cells as well as how to add clipart to cells.</p>	<p>We will be focusing on the topic of ‘Year 1 Imagination’ in our Music lessons using Charanga. We will be encouraging children to use their own imagination and ideas through Music. They will be continuing to sing songs in Unison and encounter their first two part song. Children will be listening to various live music performances and using musical vocabulary to describe how it makes them feel.</p>
PE	Re and PSHE
<p>During our P.E. topic, Striking & Fielding, children will learn skills including throwing and catching, stopping a rolling ball, retrieving a ball and striking a ball. They will learn how to play one against one, one against two, and one against three and how to use simple tactics. In our second unit, Target Games, pupils will be given opportunities to select and apply the appropriate action for the target. They will apply their skills individually, in pairs and in small groups and begin to organise and self-manage their own activities.</p>	<p>In RE this term, children will be focusing on the religion ‘Christianity’ through the topic ‘Who brought messages about God and what did they say?’. They will be learning to name some of the early figures in the Old Testament, retelling stories and talking about key figures. They will talk about how Christians believe Jesus is special and call him the ‘Son of God’.</p> <p>In PSHE, we will be learning about the topics ‘Feelings’ exploring our emotions and responses to events, and ‘My Money’.</p>

Year 1 Information:

PE:



Year 1 are timetabled to do PE on Tuesday and Thursday. Children can come to school on these days in their PE kit. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit for their indoor and outdoor lessons and it has their name on it.

Planners/Reading Books:



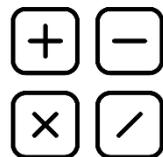
Please return your child's reading book and reading record on Wednesday each week. Your child will take home their new books each Friday. Please encourage your child to read at home every day and comment in the reading record when they have read with an adult or independently.

Homework/Spelling:



Spellings are set on Monday to be learned for a test on Friday. Please make sure you return your spelling books on Friday.

Number facts:



In preparation in moving to Year 2, it would be useful for you to practice with your child counting in 2s, 5s and 10s as well as recalling their number bonds to 10.

Contact:

Please come and see us at the end of the school day on the playground if you have any queries or questions about your child's learning and welfare. Should you need to make an appointment for a more in depth conversation, please contact the school office. Don't forget that you can follow us on Twitter at [@Bardsey_Y1](https://twitter.com/Bardsey_Y1)