

Year 1 Curriculum Letter - Autumn Half Term 1 - 2025

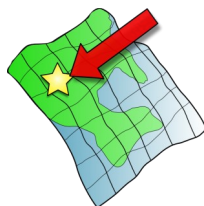
Our theme for Autumn Term One is:

Twisted Tales

Our main focuses are:

- Exploring our book 'Once Upon a Wild Wood' and making links to other stories we already know.
- Learning about maps and how to look for the features on them.
- Learning how to create a simple map.
- Using our imagination to create our own fairy tale character.
- Using simple instructions to control a Beebot.

Our theme will last for: 8 weeks.



English:

In English we will be exploring our Novel Study book 'Once Upon a Wild Wood' by Chris Riddell which includes many characters from other familiar stories. We will be working on sentence formation including capital letters and full stops, as well as practising our pre-cursive letters. We will then use these skills to help us to write sentences about our book and describe the characters.

Week 1- Positive emotions week.

Week 2- We will be starting to read our exciting new story 'Once Upon a Wild Wood'. We will recap the alphabet and ensure we know the letter names as well as the sounds they make. We will also think about the main character in the story Little Green Rain Cape.

Week 3- This week we will become sentence detectives and learn all about what a sentence is and how to write one.

Week 4- We will focus on capital letters and where (and why) we need them this week.

Week 5- Finger spaces and full stops are the focus of this week.

Week 6- During this week we will learn about adjectives and go on an exciting hunt! Do you know any adjectives already?

Week 7- This week we will be using role-play to act out our favourite parts of the story. We will also be using what we have learnt about capital letters, full stops and letter formation to write a simple sentence about the story.

Week 8- This week we will learn all about what a poem is!



Mathematics:

We will be learning about a variety of different disciplines in Mathematics this half term. If you would like to help your child practise these at home, please look at our Calculation Policy on the school website.

Week 1- Counting songs and games.

Week 2- We will be learning all about numbers to 20 including how to form them correctly and order them.

Week 3- This week will be understanding how to find one more or one less than a number to 20.

Week 4- The focus of this week is to add numbers to 20. What other words do you know for add?

Week 5- This week we will be learning about subtraction within 20.

Week 6- What do you know about 2D shapes? We will be finding out about these this week.

Week 7- 3D shapes is the focus of this week. What 3D shapes can you spot around your home? What shape is a ball? Let's find out!

Week 8- This week we will be learning all about odd and even numbers.



No Outsiders and P.S.H.E

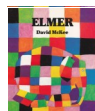
We will be following the 'No Outsiders in Our School' scheme. This half term, our lessons will be based on the book 'Elmer' and looking at what makes us different. Within P.S.H.E, we will think about what makes a good friend and how to talk to each other.

In British Values we are looking at the rule of law.

Computing

We will be:

- Using commands to control a screen turtle.
- Creating simple instructions.
- Using the words 'debug' and 'algorithm' when describing a simple set of instructions.



Geography

In Geography we will be:

- Using locational and directional language to look at where physical objects are in our surrounding area.
- Looking at our local area and the features within it.
- Locating objects on simple maps.
- Making our own pictorial maps.



Behaviour and Safety

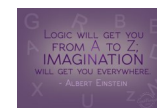
This half term we will be focusing on golden rules, what they are and how we use them in the school setting.

Music

Children will continue to follow the exciting 'Charanga' scheme of work to further develop their music skills. The theme this term is 'My Musical Heartbeat'. Children will listen to a range of songs and the focus will shift each week. The key aspects are understanding music, listening, singing, playing, composing and performing.

Art

Our focus artist is Adrienne Segur and we be looking at pencil control techniques and tone. At the end of this, the children will be creating their own fairy tale character using pencil.



Communication and Language

The role play and the small world area will be used to encourage children to use new vocabulary, their imagination and teamwork skills, as well as developing their story telling skills. We will also be focusing on retelling traditional stories using the correct language structures.

R.E.

In Religious Education, we will be learning all about Christianity and Judaism, including a range of stories and what these teach people about how to live their lives. We will also think about how stories can have different meanings to different people.

Physical Development (P.E.)

Our P.E. lessons this half term will be focussing on developing our fundamental movements of throwing and catching. The children will be developing these skills through different types of games.



Shared home learning:

Please spend 15 minutes, as a minimum, reading with your child every day. This will really help support your child's success in reading. Please record your child's reading in their reading diaries. There will be alternate Phonics or Maths homework on Seesaw. P.E. day is Tuesday for all Year 1 children. Children should bring their P.E. kits on their allocated P.E. day. These can be left at school until the half-term break. We would also like to remind you that children need to have earrings removed before school in order to be able to take part in P.E. sessions.

Key dates:

Wednesday 3rd September- First parental pop-in 8.40-9.05am and every Wednesday following this date.

Thursday 4th September: Meet the Teacher: 3.30pm in classrooms.

Thank you for your continued support.
Year 1 Team