

Year 1 Curriculum Overview

Spring term 2026 Class 1T, 1M & 1CM



This information tells you what your child will be learning this term in school. We really value your support and the help that you can give your child with their learning.

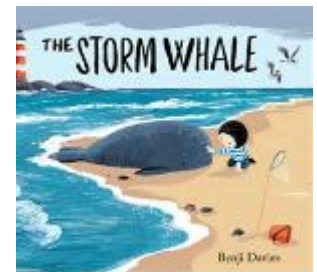
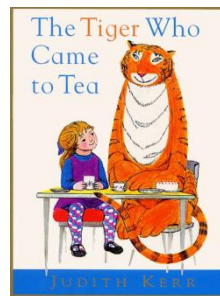
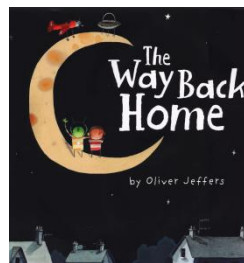
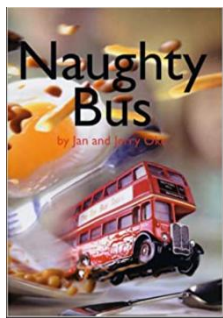
These are some of the things you can do:

- Request books from the local library so your child has a wider choice of books to read
- Help your child to learn tricky words and practise using them in different sentences
- Practise forming capital letters and lower-case letters correctly
- Read with your child every day for at least 10 minutes
- Practise mental maths for 10 minutes every day e.g., counting forwards and backwards to 50, number bonds etc

The curriculum

Our focus this term in English:

The stories we will focus on this term are The Naughty Bus; The Way Back Home; The Tiger who came to Tea; and The Storm Whale.



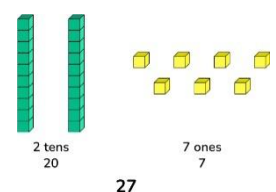
We will:

- Read and retell each story orally and focus on new vocabulary learnt
- Create our own versions of the stories by changing the characters or settings
- Continue to learn how to correctly form lower case letters and capital letters of the correct size and orientation
- Learn to use capital letters, finger spaces, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks in writing
- Focus on learning the alternative graphemes for the following phonemes: ai, ar, er, oi, ow, ee, igh, oa, ew, or, oo, j, e, ch, w, f, n, v, i

In Maths we will be learning to:

- Recall number bonds to 10 and 20
- Count in steps of 2, 5 and 10
- Focus on numbers to 50. This will include reading, writing, ordering, adding and taking away
- Make numbers using Dienes – up to 50 and beyond (not past 100). We will learn to draw Dienes so that they can be used for addition and subtraction.
- We will learn about commutativity focusing on addition and subtraction
- Use the < > and = signs. We will use these signs to compare and order numbers.
- Measure length and height using cubes and in centimetres, using rulers
- Measure weight using words such as heavier, lighter and using balancing scales

0 + 20 = 20	10 + 10 = 20
1 + 19 = 20	11 + 9 = 20
2 + 18 = 20	12 + 8 = 20
3 + 17 = 20	13 + 7 = 20
4 + 16 = 20	14 + 6 = 20
5 + 15 = 20	15 + 5 = 20
6 + 14 = 20	16 + 4 = 20
7 + 13 = 20	17 + 3 = 20
8 + 12 = 20	18 + 2 = 20
9 + 11 = 20	19 + 1 = 20



**There are 2 topics in the Spring term:
The 1st is *Transport* and the 2nd is *Animals*.**

MONTHS AND SEASONS



Herbivore

An animal that only likes plants.



Omnivore

An animal that eats both plants and meat.



Carnivore

An animal that only likes to eat meat.



- In **Science** we will be looking at *The Seasons (winter and spring)* and *Animals including Humans*. This will include learning about how animals are classified with a focus on mammals, fish and birds. We will also learn about how animals can be sorted by their features or by the food they eat.
- **History** will focus on learning about how transport has changed over time and how this has affected people's lives.
- In **Geography** we will be learning to create maps. We will focus on the school and drawing maps to direct each other around school. We will also be looking at hot and cold areas of the world and where specific animals come from.
- In **Art**, we will be learning about Nick Mackman and how she used clay to create sculptures. We will create our own transport based sculpture.
- In **DT** we will be learning about Antoni Gaudi. We will also be learning how to design and create structures. We will be creating structures for an animal.
- In **RE** we will be thinking about the questions, 'How do we know?' and 'What is our situation?' These two topics will involve learning about which symbols are important in different faiths and learning about different religious festivals.
- In **Computing** we will learn how to code by creating a simple sequence of instructions using an online programme. We will also learn how to use basic keys on a keyboard to type simple sentences in Word.
- In **PSHE** we will be learning about how to stay safe and lead a healthy lifestyle.
- In **Music** we will be exploring different genres including reggae and rap. We will listen to and appraise a variety of songs as well as identifying the instruments used in these songs.



Other information:

PE:

Each class will have 2 sessions of PE per week:

- 1M – Monday and Tuesday
- 1T – Tuesday and Friday
- 1CM - Monday and Thursday

On PE days children must come to school wearing their correct PE kit, which they will wear all day.

Class Assemblies:

This term each class will hold a class assembly which parents/ carers are invited to come and see. The assemblies are on the following dates:

- 1CM Wednesday 28th January at 9.15am
- 1M Friday 6th February at 9.15am
- 1T - Wednesday 11th February at 9:15am

Trips & visitors:

During this term we hope to visit *The RAF Museum* and *Whipsnade Zoo*.

***We are looking forward to having a productive and enjoyable year with you and your child.
If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 1 team.***

Miss Parmar, Ms Thompson, Miss McCague, Mrs Marshall & Miss Christie