

St Faith's C of E Primary School

Class: Year 1

Teaching team: Miss Stephen (Year 1 Class Teacher) with Mrs Wright (LSA) and Mrs Moretti (LSA) in the mornings and Mrs Knott (Oak Year 1) in the afternoons.

Curriculum News Autumn 2025 **Topics:** Journeys/The First Man on the Moon

English

Phonics: Following Little Wandle Phonics, children will consolidate their phonic knowledge and continue to learn to spell common exception words.
Writing: The focus for writing at this stage of Year 1 is on writing simple, coherent sentences about personal experiences and those of others (real or fictional), as well as writing about real events, recording these simply and clearly.
Reading: Reading will be taught through guided reading sessions where the children practise a specific aspect of reading and comprehension.

Maths

Year 1 will be taught skills in place value, addition and subtraction, and shape, learning to:

- Sort and count objects
- Represent numbers
- Count forwards and backwards
- Compare and order numbers
- Use the addition and subtraction symbols
- Explain one more, one less
- Use greater than, less than
- Adding two numbers
- Subtraction
- Recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes
- Sort 2D and 3D shapes
- Make patterns

Science: The children will be learning about and exploring different materials and their properties this term, observing and classifying, gathering data and performing simple tests. The children will also be observing seasons and weather patterns linked to autumn.

Supporting learning at home

Remember a little and often is the most effective way to learn!

- Ideally, read with and to your child on a daily basis.
- Check the weekly maths and phonic home-learning sheets to support your child's learning at home.
- Practise any tricky words or sounds which they are finding difficult.

Foundation subjects

Geography: The children will discuss holiday journeys and the journeys we make to school. We will be looking at road safety features in our local area and working on developing mapping skills.
History: As part of our topic on journeys, the children will be learning about Neil Armstrong and his voyage to the moon.
Art: The children will make art inspired by maps and our local area then looking at Jackson Pollocks space artwork.
DT: This term the children will be looking at pop-up pictures and books and then designing a pop-up card. Children will be making junk model rockets
RE: Our first topic will be Family and Friends. This will be followed by learning about journeys in the Christmas story.
Music: The children will be focusing on contrasts: loud/quiet, high/low, smooth/jumpy, and fast/slow. They will also experience beat, rhythm and pitch.
PSHE: The first half term will focus on Me and My Relationships, including who is special to us, where we can seek help and our own feelings. We then move on to discuss Rights and Responsibilities such as managing money at an age-appropriate level.
PE: In games we will be developing ball skills. In gymnastics they will be travelling in a variety of ways and creating different shapes and balances. The children will respond to music, stories and poems in dance.
ICT: In the first half term, the children will be learning what IT is and how we use it in different ways. In the second half term, the children will be learning about digital painting.

Messages

On **Tuesday 24th September** we will host a Year 1 Maths Workshop for parents from 3.30-4pm.
There will be a 'Stay and Make' morning on **Tuesday 18th November** where you can come in and help your child make junk model rockets.
Please also make sure your child is suitably clothed for outdoor play. During the autumn term that can mean anything from a sunhat to water-proof coats and gloves!
Thank you for your support.