



Please look at the school website for further curriculum information: <https://www.rickmansworthpark.herts.sch.uk/>

## Maths

Addition and subtraction within 20, place value within 50, length and height, (metres, centimetres and millimetres) weight (kg and g) and volume (l and ml).

At home you can use real objects to talk about making 20 (cereal pieces for example) to help the children solidify their knowledge of number bonds to and within 20. Let the children play with weighing or balance scales.

## Literacy

Read Write Inc. Your child will continue to be assessed (reading) every half term to inform which group they will be in. The focus in year one is for the children to know all of their phonics sounds and to be able to blend them to read fluently. In writing, we focus on sentences (capital letters, full stops and finger spaces between words.)

At home please continue to spend about 10 minutes each day reading the RWI book bag they bring home. Please also share other books to encourage a love of reading.

## Science

Animals, including human beings. We will be looking at the different animal body parts and why they have evolved as such.

At home you can use the correct words for body parts and talk about different animals (are they wild, farm or domestic?) and where do they live?

## Computing

Physical computing and digital photography. The children will be programming simple robot toys and they will be learning how to use the chrome books to take photographs.

At home you can encourage your child to use technology independently—eg. using a computer mouse. Please also make sure they can type their name correctly as they need this to be able to log into our system.

## Geography

Exploring the UK. We will be looking at the features of our country.

At home you can look at maps of the UK and see if you can find the big cities as well as the 4 countries that make up the UK. Can you draw the map?

## History

The history of toys. The children will be looking at toys through the decades from Victorian times. If you have any old toys at home we'd love to see them. We will look at how toys have changed over the years. At home you can look at any old toys you (or grandparents) may have. What did you play with as a child?

## RE

We will be exploring the topic of Belonging.

At home you can talk about all the different groups people belong to and how they show this. Do they wear a uniform? Do they go to a special place? What about the other people in the group?

## PE

Outdoor— striking and fielding.

Indoor—dance—linked to our science topic 'animals'.

At home you can encourage your child to be active. Make the most of your outdoor spaces whenever you can.

## Art

Printing and weaving. We will be looking at patterns on fabric and talking about the pattern. Has it been put on after the fabric was made (printing) or was it woven into the fabric? At home you can talk about the names of different clothing fabrics (denim, jersey, silk, wool etc).

## D & T

We will be tasting a variety of fruits and designing and making a fruit kebab. We will also be cutting and peeling the fruits.

At home you can practise using a knife to peel and cut up different fruits and vegetables. Make sure a grown up is there to help you.

## Music

The children will be listening and responding to music from a range of genres (blues, baroque, Latin, bhangra, folk, funk and Latin bossa nova).

At home you can enjoy listening to music of all genres. Try clapping and freestyle dancing to the beat.

## Class information

We hope you had a good break—and Happy New Year. Thank you again for the very kind gifts you gave us for Christmas!

Please continue to make sure all of your child's clothing is named, including PE kit and coats. Also, it is particularly cold just now and your child may need to wear more clothing. Please make sure that they are wearing layers under their school uniform (vests or thermal layers). The uniform shop also has school fleece gilets (body warmers) that they children can wear indoors on top of their sweatshirts/cardigans. Otherwise a plain navy body warmer can be worn (fleece or puffa) on top of their sweatshirts.

Y1 class assembly is on Wednesday 11th March 2026. Parents evening dates tbc.

If you need to see us please make an appointment via the office.

Here's to a happy and productive Spring Term!

Mrs Black & Ms Tamayo

## PSHE

Goals and dreams—the children will be talking about their own aspirations for the coming term and looking back on things that they have already learnt to do. We will be talking about feeling proud of ourselves.

At home you can talk to your child about things that they can learn to do independently—such as getting dressed, making their bed and taking responsibility for their belongings.