

Y1 Blue Class Curriculum Overview



Longford Park
Primary Academy

English

This term, we will continue to learn our key writing skills. We will be using lots of engaging picture books as the basis for our writing lessons. In Autumn 1 the children will focus on handwriting and spelling skills as they write simple sentences. In Autumn 2 the children will be building upon using the skills, capital letters, finger spaces and punctuation including full stops, consistently in their writing.

Phonics and Spelling

Throughout Year One, we will continue to use a systemic phonics programme called Essential Letters and Sounds. This allows children to build on their phonetical knowledge from Reception so that they become more confident, fluent and expressive readers. Reading books and spellings will be sent home over the next few weeks.

Maths

This term we will be focusing on place value and recognising the value of larger numbers. Within this, children will learn to count forwards and backwards, find one more and one less and look at comparing numbers using the vocabulary greater than, less than and equal to. Moving into Autumn 2 children will have a focus on addition and subtraction using part-part whole models, using number bonds and solving word problems. We will also be introducing Numbots to the children, logins will be sent home after October half term.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about what it is like to belong to a faith community. We will also be focusing on Christianity and learning about what Christians think God is like.

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Computing

In computing, the children will practise using a keyboard and a trackpad. We will also be learning about digital media and how we can create art using a computer. We will also be thinking about how to keep ourselves safe online.

PSHE

Our focus for the Autumn term, is building strong relationships with children and allowing them to become confident members of Blue Class. We will look at families and people who care for them, as well as how we can look after ourselves and each other.

History

We will be learning about changes in living memory and will be looking at toys from the past; considering what they were made of; how they have changed and how they compare to toys now!

Art/DT/Music

Our focus in Art is drawing by making a mark. Children will learn how to use a drawing pencil to create strokes to draw with increasing accuracy.

In DT, we will be studying textiles and making our own puppets looking at different techniques to join materials together.

Through music children will explore different rhythms in a piece of music. We will also be listening to a range of music styles including hip hop and rap.

Geography

Geography will be taught in Autumn 2. During this term, children will be building on their understanding and knowledge of maps. We will be using our school environment to read, understand and make maps that involve a key.

Science

This term we will be looking at seasonal changes, including observing changes in the surroundings, length of days and weather.

We will look in depth and investigate different classifications of animals such as mammals, reptiles and insects. We will also understand which animals are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

Class information.

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Class teacher – Mrs Newell (Mon and Tues) Mrs Best (Weds-Fri)

Class TA – Mrs McKenzie, Miss Allen and Miss Gabb

Homework:

- Reading should be completed a minimum of 4 times a week for 15 minutes. Books will be given out beginning Friday 11th September. We are currently assessing the children's reading so that they are given a book carefully matched to their current phonic ability. This book should be fully decodable and your child should be able to read this fluently. Books will be changed every Friday if they have been read 4 times. Please record in your child's reading diary when you have read.
- Spellings - These will be the Harder to Read and Spell Words from the ELS Phonics scheme. Spellings will go out for the term and these will be tested once a week on a Friday.

PE and Forest School:

- PE will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays, although PE kits should be in school every day. PE kits should include: T-shirt, shorts, trainers/plimsolls, and spare socks. During the colder months, your child is allowed to bring long black bottoms and a black jumper or hoody to wear. Alternatively, they can wear their school jumper.
- Forest school is on a Wednesday (first session on Wednesday 9th September) Year 1 will only do Forest School in Autumn term 1. It is a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn outside and practise fundamental skills. Please send your child to school in their school uniform and bring their Forest School clothes in a bag. Forest school kit needs to be old, warm clothing – this should also include waterproofs and wellies for when it gets wet and muddy!

Class Readers

During Autumn term, we will look at a range of different books to build on pupils' vocabulary.



Any questions – please come and ask ☺