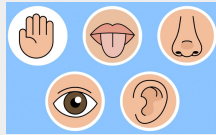


Y1 Bulletin: Spring 2025

Autumn Term Topics



History:
How have toys changed?



Science:
Sensitive bodies

The Year 1 Team

Miss Pownall - Class Teacher
Miss Vontese - Co-teacher

You can speak to us at the end of each school day in the playground or you can contact us through the school office by calling 0207 736 2318 or by sending an email to info@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

Our School Uniform is important - please make sure your child is wearing the correct clothes and shoes and that they have the correct PE kit. Please ensure that every item of your child's school uniform is named with a sewn on label or permanent pen.

School Start Time

8:45am

School End Time

3:30pm

PE Days: Thursday and Friday

Children should come dressed in their PE kit on these days.



Every day is vital - please make sure that your child does not miss school unless they are seriously unwell. Holidays in term time are not permitted. Please let the school office know if your child is absent.



Your child is expected to bring in their reading folder everyday so that letters and books can be brought home for you and your child to read.

It is vital that you take time to read with your child as often as possible. Your child will be bringing a reading book home to read daily, along with a reading diary to record comments about their reading in.



Your child will be set homework every **Friday**. It must be completed by the following **Wednesday**.

Key Dates

6th Jan	INSET
7th Jan	Children return
16th Jan	Author visit: Toby Glover
25th Jan	Burns Night
3-7th Feb	Aspirations Week and National Storytelling Week
6th Feb	Author visit: Rebecca Lewis- Oakes
7th Feb	'Country Colours' own clothes day and International Food Festival in school 3.15pm- 5.15pm
11th Feb	Safer Internet Day
17-21 Feb	HALF TERM
28th Feb	Daffodil House to wear a yellow accessory to celebrate St. David's Day
6th Mar	World Book Day
8th Mar	International Women's Day
4th Mar	Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)
17th Mar	St Patrick's Day (Shamrocks wear a green accessory)
17-21 Mar	Neurodiversity Week
24-25th Mar	Parents Meetings
30 Mar	Eid ul Fitr
3rd Apr	Easter Egg Hunt
4th Apr	Last day of term (2pm finish)

We are always looking for ways to improve our school - please feel free to contact the school office if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there is an issue you would like to discuss.

In our History 'Toys' topic, Year 1 will be sequencing toys into a physical timeline, children investigate artefacts from the past and begin to pose questions. They learn how teddy bears have changed and 'interview' an old teddy bear before considering what toys may be like in the future.



In our first Science 'Sensitive bodies' topic, Year 1 will be identifying and naming body parts, exploring our five senses and conducting practical activities with the senses to spot patterns and answer questions.

Our second Science topic will be 'Comparing Animals'



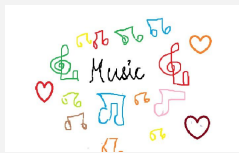
In Art, we will be learning about:

This term Year 1 will be introduced to DT. They will be learning about structures and how to build 3D shapes that are strong and sturdy. Later in the term they will apply these skills to sculpture, creating models of mythical creatures using various materials and joining methods.



In Music we will be learning about:

Musical vocabulary
(Theme: Under the sea)
Timbre and rhythmic patterns
(Theme: Fairy tales)



English

Reading the stories of *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak, and *Elmer* by David McKee. We will learn how to write a character description of a Wild Thing, using adjectives, alliteration, verbs and sentences of power. We will then look at the structure of a story and begin putting our sentences together to make our own version of Elmer.



Maths

In Maths we will be learning about:

- The make ten strategy.
- Time
- Exploring calculation strategies within 20.
- Numbers to 50.
- Addition and subtraction within 20.
- Fractions
- Measures: length and mass.

In Character Curriculum, we will be learning about:

Dreams and Goals and Healthy Eating.

In PE, we will be learning about:
Gymnastics!

In our gymnastics lesson we are learning how to balance with our partner, different types of rolls, movements, jumping and improving our balancing and coordination skills. We will also be looking at doing a mini in class performance!

Next term we are looking at racquet skills!

Our RE focus this term is:

Friendship (Values and Reflection)

Easter and Surprises (How beliefs are expressed)

In Spanish, we will be learning about:

Los Colores (colours), Learn to recognise and recall colours.

Los Animales (animals),

Learn to recognise and recall common animals.

Use colours to describe animals putting adjective before noun.

Book 'Oso Pardo' de Eric Carle.

In Computing we will:

Explore algorithms through a variety of cross curricular unplugged activities. The children will also be creating digital art.