



**WITHAM**  
A PRIORY ACADEMY

# Year 1 Curriculum Letter



## Spring Term 2023

### Year 1

**PE - Children have their PE on Monday and Thursday.**

Please ensure that your child brings their PE kit in on PE days. Your child needs to wear their PE t-shirt and shorts for their PE session. All earrings must be removed at home or covered in school for their PE lesson.

#### Mathematics

In maths we will be following the Power Maths and White Rose schemes of learning.

Our focus in maths will be numbers to 50 and learning about different measurements: length, height mass and capacity.

##### **How can you support your child?**

Please could you encourage your child to count forwards and backwards to 50 and recognise numbers to 50. It would also be useful if your child could practice writing their numbers to 50, making sure they are formed correctly. During this term, the children will be given Maths home learning to complete. This will be shared with you on Tapestry and handout will be provided with the learning on. Please could you upload any maths home learning to tapestry so that we can celebrate this in school.

#### English

In English, the children will be continuing to learn to write sentences with a capital letter, finger space and full stop. We will also be learning how to use the word 'and' to join sentences together. In talk for writing we will be retelling a story about an animal who likes to eat lots of food! Can you guess what our story might be?

Children will be continuing to learn Phase 5 phonemes through the 'Little Wandle' scheme.

##### **How can you support your child?**

Please ensure that your child is accessing their e-books which will continue to be assigned to them, every two weeks. If you have any issues logging on then please speak to a member of the year 1 team. Please encourage your child to complete their phonics and spelling home learning. Videos of home learning will be available on Tapestry.

#### Wider Curriculum

In Science we will be learning about different materials (Chemistry) and their properties. We will also be learning about animals including humans (Biology) where will be identifying animals that are Carnivores, Herbivores and Omnivores.

In History, we will be learning about the parts of a castle and the purpose of castles. We will also be looking at some of the major castles in Britain.

In PSHE we will learn about 'Living in the wider world'. This will include how we care for animals and our environment, how and why we use the internet and the different types of jobs that people do in our community. We will also be learning to look at the Forest environment in our Forest School sessions.

In art, we will be experimenting with different shades and tints in the painting area of the classroom.

In Design Technology (DT) we will be learning to safely use a peeler and a knife when preparing fruit. We will also learn how to use the bridge cutting method when chopping different fruits.

The happiness and well-being of your child is most important to us and we can achieve this through our partnership with you. If you have any small concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher or phase leader.

#### Attendance Matters

The school gates open from 8.30am and the school doors open at 8:40am with the school day starting promptly at 8.45 am. School gates close at 8:50am and any child arriving after this time will be deemed as late unless prior arrangements having been agreed.