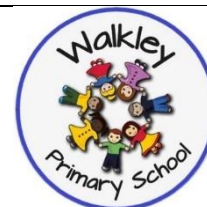


Year 1
Summer 1
2025

Walkley Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter

'Enjoyment, Achievement and Learning for life...'



Key Information and Dates

Anansi class

PE- please come in PE kits on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Jolly Posties Class

PE: Please come in PE Kits on Wednesday and Thursdays.

Please keep PE shoes in school all week.

Forest school-week of 12th May please wear/bring a waterproof jacket and boots/wellies but with suitable indoor shoes to change into. Please label all items!

Books

Please ensure bookbags with reading records and your Read, Write Inc reading book are in school EVERY DAY, they are changed regularly and pupils use these books for reading in school. Please look after them!

Picture books are changed weekly on a Friday.

English



Children continue to learn set 1, set 2 and set 3 sounds in Read, Write, Inc groups according to their ability. They are then learning to blend and segment (read and spell) words using these sounds in order to read books and write sentences. They will bring home books which are linked to the books which they have read in school to practise at home. Their books will help them to practise the sounds which they are learning, the key green words containing these sounds and tricky red words. Please continue to read daily with your child to improve their confidence, fluency and comprehension skills. The current expected level for Y1 is yellow. In writing children are learning to use full stops, capital letters and finger spaces so that they can clearly read their writing. We are learning to form letters correctly starting at the top, ensuring they are the correct size and sat on the line. We are looking at using questions and reading 'Man on the Moon' and 'The Gingerbread Man'.

Science

We will continue learning about plants in Science this term. The children will learn about the different parts of a plant. They will also learn what plants need to survive and will plant seeds of their own, observing their growth and conducting an experiment to test what plants need.

Maths

In maths we will be working on Multiplication and division for the first time in Y1. This will involve lots of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, along with making and recognising equal groups. The children will come to understand multiplication as repeated addition; adding "groups of" the same amount and division as splitting up a whole amount by sharing or grouping.

Geography	<i>We will continue our work on villages, towns and cities, and understanding the difference between a village, town and city.</i>
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<i>In computing we will continue learning about algorithms. The children will explore giving 'bee-bots' instructions. These are small robots in the shape of a bee.</i>	Computing
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Religious Education	<i>We will be learning about Judaism this term, specifically the tradition of 'Shabbat'. The children will be considering the question, "Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?"</i>
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<i>This half term we are learning about mental and physical health and wellbeing and ways to improve our own.</i>	Citizenship
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Art/DT	<i>In Art we are starting to learn about street art and murals, including a local artist Nicole White.</i>
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<i>We will be exploring the history of Walkley and the surrounding area once we finish our geography unit.</i>	History
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Music	<i>Your Imagination – children will be learning how to use their imagination in music. They will also be working with various songs to find the pulse, rhythm and pitch. They will explore these using glockenspiels.</i>
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Home Learning	
<i>The most important home learning you can do at home is listen to your child read and keep a record in their reading diary.</i>	
<i>Maths homework should give you a taste of what we are learning this week in school.</i>	
<i>Spellings are published on Google Classroom and you can play spellings games on EdShed.</i>	
<i>Finally a creative orange book will have tasks to complete on a six weekly basis. These jobs can be done online or in the orange book.</i>	
<i>Homework is not compulsory, but should meet the needs of your child to help support their learning.</i>	

PE	<i>In PE we will be developing skills in net and wall games. They will use a racket and ball. They will also learn how to keep score during a simple game. We will also be dancing with Miss Burton.</i>
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