



Year 1 Curriculum Letter

**Spring 1
2026**

Welcome back Year 1!

We hope you have had a pleasant holiday and are ready for the new term. If you have any questions about your child's progress or other matters, please speak to your class teacher or Mrs Pindoria by making an appointment via the email: learning@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk. There is a lot to do this half term, so we hope this letter will enable you to support your child with their learning at home.

English

This half term children will be looking at **stories with a familiar setting, and non fiction books.**

Children will be:

- Using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops in their writing.
- Writing short narratives.
- Identifying and describing characters and settings.
- Role-playing stories.
- Re-telling stories.

How can you help your child at home?

Encourage them to practice their handwriting. Learn the Year 1 common exception/high frequency words which will be sent home.

Science

Our topic this half term is Animals including humans. We will be describing and comparing the structure of a variety of amphibians, birds, reptiles, mammals and fish. We will also be observing, describing, and recording the changes in weather over the season of autumn.

BBC Bitesize: [Animals including humans - KS1 Science - BBC Bitesize](#)

Computing

Our topic this half term is Digital Painting. The children will develop their understanding of a range of tools used. They will use these to create their own digital paintings using a range of artists work. Children will finally discuss their preferences when painting with and without digital devices.

Art

Our focus this term will be skylines and landscapes. The children will be learning to use different pencil strokes and colours to create pictures of various skylines and landscapes.

History

Our topic this half term will be on Amy Johnson the pilot. Children will be using different skills to answer questions. They will focus on why she was famous, known as the Queen of the Air and where she flew to. How people reacted to her famous flight and what happened to her providing reasoning for their answers.

Music

Music will be delivered by a Brent schools music teacher who will be focusing on rhythm skills and patterns and singing using accurate pitching.

Religion and World Views

Our topic this term will to focus on special people. Children will learn how the nativity story shows Jesus as special and the Christian beliefs. They will also read other religions birth stories and consider the values.

Maths

Our focus this term will be addition, subtraction and geometry.

Place Value

Children will be

- Counting, reading and writing numbers to 100 in numerals.
- Counting in multiples of twos, fives and tens from 0.
- Identify one more and one less of a given number.
- Count to and across 100, forwards and backwards.

Addition and Subtraction

Children will be

- Representing and using number bonds to 20.
- Represent and use subtraction facts within 20.

Useful websites:

Oak Academy: <https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/maths-primary-ks1/units?year=year-1&learning-theme=number-addition-and-subtraction>

BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z22cmbk>

P.E

P.E lessons will be taught by a specialist P.E teacher.

The children will be exploring simple movement patterns to create a dance sequence. Please support your child by practising hopping, side stepping, crouching and jumping.

Please ensure your child **comes into school dressed in their**

PSHE

Children will learn about healthy and unhealthy food. The importance of washing hands, healthy teeth and the different feelings and emotions we have.

Thank you.

Mrs Mehta 1W

Ms Qaisrani 1P

Mrs Hussain 1S

Mrs Mayani 1F

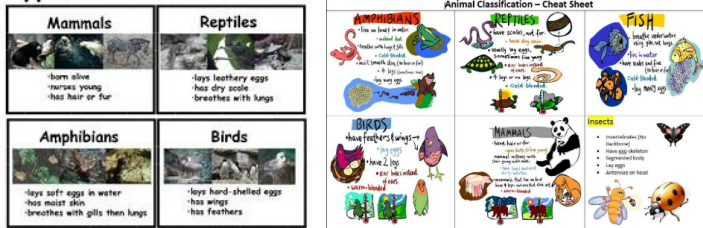


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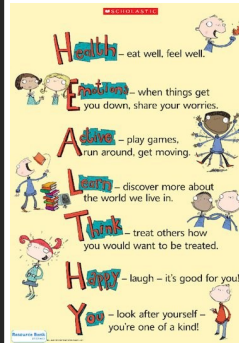
Please complete all three challenges. Home learning to be submitted in your red home learning book.

Science - Animals

Can you create a **poster** about different types of animals. You can classify them e.g. Mammals, Amphibians, Reptiles, Birds, Fish.



PSHE - Health



In PSHE, we will be learning about things that go into our bodies which can be either helpful or harmful.

Why not get started by creating a first aid box for your home. Discuss with your child what they might need to keep at home that can be helpful. Here is a link that can help you: [How to Make Easy First Aid Box from Shoe box | First Aid Kit for school project | DIY Box for Kids \(youtube.com\)](#)

English - Stories

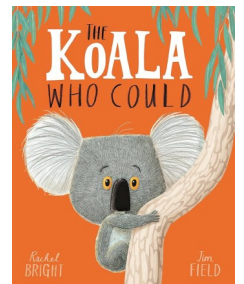
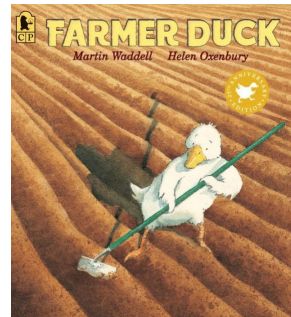
Have you read a good book recently? Tell us all about it! Draw a picture of your favourite part of the book and write a matching sentence!

Tip: Use a phonics sound mat to help you.



Don't forget to use:

- A capital letter



Super Power of Looking

You are going to analyse this piece of art and discuss the points below with your parent. You can submit answers in your red book. Also write what your parent has said.



This painting is called '[Elizabeth I - The Armada Portrait](#)' (1533-1603).

1. What is Elizabeth wearing for this portrait?
2. What is Elizabeth holding?
3. Which colours are used most in this painting?
4. Look carefully at the background scenes. What do they show?

Compulsory Homework - Maths Fluency Focus

Week 1: To count forwards to 50 from any given number

Week 2: To count backwards from any given number to 50.

Week 3: To find one more of any number to 20.

Week 4: To find one less of any given number to 20.

Week 5: To add or subtract 2 from any given number to 20.

Week 6: To learn the number bonds to 20.