



# Year 1 Learning Journey

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This year your child will continue to grow in confidence, curiosity and independence as they build key skills across the curriculum.

### 123 MATHEMATICS

- Develop confidence with numbers to 100.
- Use addition and subtraction to solve problems.
- Explore multiplication, fractions, money and telling the time.
- Recognise shapes and use mathematical language to describe position and direction.

### READING

- Build confidence reading a range of words and simple texts.
- Use phonics to help read unfamiliar words.
- Read with increasing fluency and understanding.
- Talk about stories, answer questions and make simple predictions.

### WRITING

- Write simple sentences that can be read and understood by others.
- Use capital letters, full stops and spaces correctly.
- Share ideas through short pieces of writing.
- Develop handwriting, spelling and editing skills.

### TALKING & LISTENING

- Listen carefully and take turns in conversations.
- Ask and answer questions.
- Share ideas, feelings and experiences confidently.
- Learn and use new vocabulary.

### SCIENCE

- Ask questions and investigate the world around them.
- Learn about the human body and how our senses help us explore.
- Explore light, shadows and how they are formed.
- Identify, compare and sort everyday materials.
- Begin to understand solids, liquids and gases.



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## HOW WE LEARN IN YEAR 1

These are the key areas your child will be learning about this year.

### MATHEMATICS

#### Number & Place Value

- Read, write, compare and order numbers to 100.
- Represent numbers in different ways.
- Recognise odd and even numbers.

#### Addition & Subtraction

- Recall facts to 10 and begin to use facts to 20.
- Add and subtract using resources and pictures.
- Understand the relationship between addition and subtraction.

#### Multiplication & Fractions

- Count in 2s, 5s and 10s.
- Solve simple multiplication problems using objects and pictures.
- Recognise halves and quarters of shapes, objects and quantities.

#### Measures, Time & Geometry

- Recognise and use coins.
- Measure and compare length, height, weight and capacity.
- Tell the time to the hour and half hour.
- Recognise 2D and 3D shapes.
- Describe position, direction and movement.

### READING

#### Word Reading

- Use phonics to read unfamiliar words.
- Read common Year 1 words.
- Read accurately and with increasing fluency.
- Notice basic punctuation when reading.

#### Understanding Texts

- Retell familiar stories.
- Answer questions about what has been read.
- Make simple predictions.
- Begin to make simple inferences.

### WRITING

#### Grammar

- Write simple sentences with spaces.
- Use capital letters and full stops correctly.
- Recognise nouns, pronouns and verbs.

#### Composition

- Say a sentence before writing it.
- Sequence sentences into short pieces of writing.
- Talk about their writing and explain their ideas.

#### Editing

- Read writing back to check it makes sense.
- Improve word choices and add detail.
- Edit capital letters and full stops with support.

#### Handwriting & Spelling

- Form letters and numbers correctly.
- Hold a pencil correctly.
- Use phonics knowledge to spell words.

### TALKING & LISTENING

#### Listening

- Listen carefully to others.
- Take turns when speaking and listening.
- Respond appropriately in conversations.

#### Speaking

- Ask and answer questions.
- Share ideas with a group or class.
- Talk clearly about feelings, experiences and events.

#### Vocabulary

- Retell stories and events in order.
- Use new vocabulary in different situations.
- Express ideas through imaginative play and discussion.

### SCIENCE

#### Working Scientifically

- Ask simple questions.
- Observe closely using their senses and simple equipment.
- Carry out simple investigations.
- Record findings through drawings, discussion and simple measurements.

#### Human Body & Senses

- Identify characteristics of living things.
- Distinguish between living and non-living things.
- Understand how the senses help us explore the world.
- Know the basic purpose of the heart, lungs, skeleton and brain.

#### Light & Shadows

- Identify sources of light.
- Explain how shadows are formed.
- Understand that darkness is the absence of light.

#### Materials

- Name everyday materials.
- Sort materials according to their properties.
- Identify solids, liquids and gases.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP AT HOME

### READING

Read together every day, even if only for a few minutes. Talk about stories, characters and new vocabulary.

Encourage your child to predict what might happen next.

### 123 MATHEMATICS

Practise counting forwards and backwards.

Look for numbers in everyday life.

Talk about money, time, shapes and measures during daily activities.

### WRITING

Encourage your child to write for real purposes, such as shopping lists, labels, cards or messages.

Support correct letter formation and pencil grip.

Celebrate attempts at spelling and writing independently.

### TALKING & LISTENING

Spend time talking together about the day.

Encourage your child to explain their ideas and opinions.

Listen carefully and ask follow up questions.

### SCIENCE

Explore the world around you together.

Encourage your child to ask questions and investigate.

Talk about materials, weather, plants, animals and how things work.

### WORKING TOGETHER

Children make the best progress when school and home work in partnership.

By encouraging curiosity, reading regularly and celebrating effort, you can help your confidence and a love of learning.



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