



Year 1 Curriculum Letter

**Autumn 2
2023**

Learning in Year 1!

We've had a busy first half term and the children have really shown resilience to settle in well. This half term will be just a busy with lots of fantastic learning opportunities planned. 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.

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.

English

This half term the children will be focusing on the story **Snail and the whale** and learning about **poetry**,

Children will be:

- Using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops in their writing.
- Identifying and describing characters and settings.
- Retelling key events of the stories.
- Identifying the features of poems (Title, rhyming words, alliteration, onomatopoeia)

How can you help your child at home?

Encourage them to practice their handwriting and learn the Year 1 harder to read and spell words/ high frequency words that are sent home.

Science

Our topic this half term is **Materials**. We will begin to learn about common materials such as wood, metal, plastic and fabric. We will also be grouping and comparing materials and describing their properties.

Seasons - The children will also be observing, describing and recording the changes in the weather over time.

Computing

This unit introduces children to early programming concepts. The children will explore using individual commands, both with each other and as part of a computer program. They will use **floor robots** to start understanding and creating simple programs.

Design and technology

In this subject area, the pupils will be learning what the subject of design and technology is. They will be learning the design process of 'think, make, break, repeat' and explore the strength of a structure.

Geography

Weather

The children will be learning about the weather in the UK and some parts of the world. The children will be discussing how the weather impacts their lives in terms of what they wear, how they feel and the things they do. Children will also learn about extreme types of weather and their characteristics.

Useful website:

Oak National academy: <https://teachers.thenational.academy/lessons/how-does-the-weather-change-across-the-seasons-cj34d>

Maths

Our focus this half term will be:

Place value

Children will be:

- *Partitioning and combining numbers
- *Counting in 2's, 5's and 10's
- *Finding two more and less of numbers

Measurement

Children will be:

- *Comparing and solving problems on weight and capacity
- *Comparing lengths and heights of objects

Useful websites:

Oak Academy: (capacity) [Unit - Oak National Academy \(thenational.academy\)](https://www.thenational.academy/unit-oak-national-academy)

Bitesize (Counting in 2's and 5's): [Lesson: Counting in twos and fives | Teacher Hub | Oak National Academy \(thenational.academy\)](https://www.bitesizeprimary.com/lesson-counting-in-twos-and-fives-teacher-hub-oak-national-academy-thenational.academy)

Music

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

Religion and World Views

Our focus this half term will be on **thankfulness**. We will look at how people of different religions give thanks. We will be focusing on Christianity, Judaism and Hinduism.

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.
- Children must come in their P.E kits on their allocated days.

PSHE

Children will be discussing different **relationships** and **families**. We will look at personal qualities and being a good friend.

Thank you

Miss Ramji 1W Miss Qaisrani 1P
Mrs Hussain 1S Mrs Mayani 1F



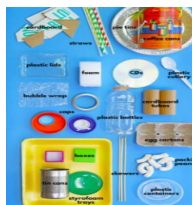
Year 1 Home Learning Autumn 2

Please complete all three challenges Monday 18th December 2023.
Learning is to be submitted in your red home learning book.

Science-Materials

In science, we will be learning about different types of materials. Can you help your child design a poster about basic materials with some brief examples of each?

You may stick some materials onto your poster if you wish.



Geography - The weather

In Geography, we will be looking at the different types of weather in the United Kingdom and some parts of the world.

Why not get started by keeping a weather diary over one week and recording your observations of the weather for each day!

My weather diary

Day	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Morning	Windy	Sunny	Foggy	Cloudy	Rain	Cloudy	Sunny
Evening	Rain	Wind	Rain	Sunny	Windy	Cloudy	Windy

English - Stories

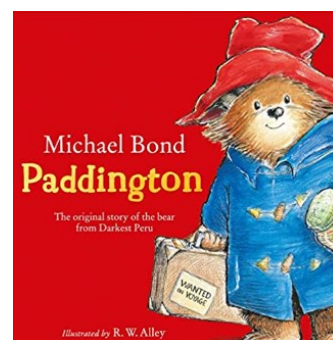
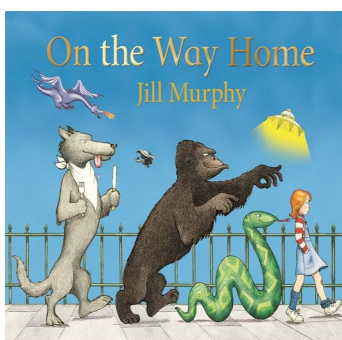
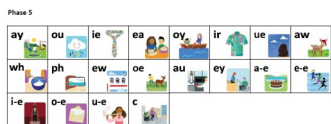
Have you read a good book recently?

Tell us all about it!

Draw a picture of your favourite part of the book and write a matching sentence!

Don't forget to use:

- * A Capital letter
- * Finger spaces
- * A full stop



Use a phonics sound mat to help you.

Super Power of Looking

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

This painting is called '[The Adoration of the Kings](#)' (1510-1515).

1. Who are the key figures in this painting and how is this made clear?
2. Is there anything kingly about the child?
3. The kings closest to Christ are Caspar, the grey-haired figure kneeling at the foot of the child on the right, and Baltazar, the Black figure standing on his left.

How can we tell they are wealthy kings?



Compulsory Homework — Maths Fluency Focus

Week 1: Number bonds to 5 .

Week 2: Number bonds to 10.

Week 3: Counting in 2's

Week 4: Counting in 5's.

Week 5: Counting in 10's.

Reading books will be changed **every Friday**. Please ensure reading record's are **signed**.

Spellings will be given every Tuesday and children will be tested the **following Monday**.

Home learning will be given **every Friday** in red home learning books. Home learning must be handed in on **Wednesday**.