





St John's Green Primary School

Learn to Live, Live to Learn

Year 1 Spring Term 2025—Curriculum Information AP2

We  Maths



We are all
writers ... 

We are growing
our learning 

BIG Question—Who is Responsible for the World? Key Concepts: Responsibility, Democracy, Education & Aspirations

Jigsaw Theme Before HT – Dreams and Goals . **Jigsaw Theme after HT**—Healthy Me

Rights Respecting Schools



English

This term in literacy, the children will continue to focus on applying the features from the 'Writers Toolkit' with increasing confidence and independence, to support with sentence construction and punctuation and grammar.

We will be exploring a range of narrative and non-fiction texts from a range of exciting authors to support writing. Each day we will do shared reading using these texts, practising comprehension and extending vocabulary through Word of the Day.

Fine motor and letter formation will continue to be a focus with daily handwriting sessions addressing capital and lower case letters.

In phonics children will learn their Phase 5 alternative sounds and harder to read and spell words. We will continue to work on applying these skills in reading and writing each day.

Geography

Our Geography work is linked to hot and cold places. We will use a globe and look at the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator, North and South Poles.

We will also look at different animals that live in different areas of the world and why.

Religious Education

The religious enquiries children will be focusing on are 'What do Jewish people remember on Shabbat?' and 'What does the cross mean to Christians?' Both of these topics will be explored through a theological lens, where children will be encouraged explore different artefacts and ask questions to develop their understanding.

Forest Schools

This Assessment Period the children will take part in Forest Schools sessions. They will learn den building, fire lighting and team skills. More details to follow.

Mathematics

The children will learn place value to 20 and 50.

They will also be learning to add and subtract within 20. and apply their prior knowledge to use a variety of skills to solve problems. They will continue with working systematically to find their number bonds to 20.

This term will also focus on measurement. Looking at weight and volume and length and height. The children will measure and compare weight

History

As part of our History curriculum, we are embarking on a One Square Mile: Heritage On Our Doorstep project. This year the school will continue to work with historians, local museums, archive specialists and much more. This term, Year 1 will be visiting the Roman Circus and Balmerne Gate to look at Roman remains in Colchester, near our school. We will be learning about what the Roman Circus was used for. We will look at Balmerne Gate and learn about how the Romans built a wall around the town.

Art

Our art work links to print making. We will be making simple rubbings and then use these to help us make repetitive patterns exploring different colour lines and textures.

We will also be exploring printing using our hands and feet before moving onto using foam tiles.

PE

Our PE topics this term are; striking and fielding, sending and receiving, invasion and net and wall games.

The children will learn the basic skills which they will then apply to a game situation. They will also be developing their team work.

Science

Science this term will be looking at Animals and Planting.

In Animals, children will explore and identify animals different features and learn how these are used to classify the animals.

In Planting, children will identify the parts of a flower and observe changes over time as they grow.

PSHE/Jigsaw

Our two jigsaw focuses this term are; Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me.

The children will focus on their dreams and goals and the steps they need to take in order to be able to achieve these.

The children will also look at a healthy and unhealthy choices, medicine safety, road safety and staying clean and healthy. We will then look at how all of these make us happy and healthy.

Computing

This term, children will learn Video Creation and Animation. They will learn the skills and vocabulary linked to the topics and create final projects which achieve a given aim.

In online safety, we will discuss what is safe to share or not share online and the importance of passwords.

Design and Technology

In DT, children will learn how to join and embellish materials in order to create puppets based on book characters. They will then evaluate their final designs and reflect on what they like and would improve upon on.

Music

Our music work will focus on listening and appraising music. Identifying the musical instruments we can hear and explaining why we do or do not like it. The children will learn a song by heart and will also begin to play instruments alongside it.