



# Welcome to Year 1

Spring term 2025

We can't believe that it is the Spring term already! There is lots of exciting and important learning happening this term. This newsletter lets you know what the children in Year 1 at BFPA will be up to.

Year 1 Teaching & Support Staff	
Miss Khanum, Mrs Moulton and Miss Church	Smart Squirrels
Mrs Osgood and Mrs Hallissey	Wise Owls
Mrs Patel	Phase Leader

For your child to make the most of their time with us we ask that you can provide them with the following things:

<p><b>Uniform</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plain red jumper or cardigan</li> <li>• Dark grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore</li> <li>• Red checked dress</li> <li>• Sensible black shoes (no flip-flops or strappy sandals)</li> <li>• No jewellery to be worn, only small <b>stud</b> earrings.</li> <li>• <b>Small</b> bows in school colours (red, white, black or grey)</li> <li>• No nail polish, gel nails or acrylic nails.</li> </ul> <p><b>You can also purchase embroidered uniform from Uniform Direct.</b></p>	<p><b>PE Kits</b></p> <p>These <u>must</u> be in school every day. Children must bring in their own PE kit from home.</p> <p>PE kit includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A T-shirt (no crop tops)</li> <li>• Shorts or joggers</li> <li>• Plimsolls or trainers</li> </ul> <p>All children must change for PE. PE kit must not have any inappropriate pictures or logos.</p> <p><b>Each child must have their own Micropore tape if their ears have recently been pierced. Alternatively, children can take out their earrings for PE. Only small studs are permitted.</b></p>	<p><b>Book Bag</b></p> <p>This needs to be brought to school every day with your child's current reading book.</p> <p>Your child will also have a book to share with an adult at home. These books can be changed on a regular basis by speaking to the class teacher.</p> <p>Your child will also have a yellow reading record book, please fill this in with a simple comment when your child reads at home.</p> <p>Please listen to your child read at least 5 times a week.</p>
<p><b>It is very important that you write your child's name in <u>ALL</u> of their school equipment, clothing and shoes. When things are lost, it makes them much easier to find.</b></p>		

PE Days				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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## The BFPA curriculum

We have worked hard to develop our curriculum so that children can become 'Positive Thinkers and LiFE Long Learners.' We have incorporated 7 key principles into our curriculum to ensure all subjects promote and develop this goal. There is more information about these principles on our website. At the heart of every subject is the teaching of Oracy or communication. We teach our children to be purposeful and respectful speakers who can talk confidently about the things that they have been learning about. Every subject is designed to promote this goal. We also support our children to make links between their learning within and across subjects and year groups.

### **Year 1 Spring Term 1**

Daily Phonics and English lessons. These teach our children reading, writing and spelling.

Maths: Numbers to 40, word problems, place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication

REAL LiFE Mission : We are storytellers

<b><u>History</u></b> How have explorers changed the world ?	<b><u>Science</u></b> Classification of animals  Children will identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.	<b><u>Music</u></b> Sound Patterns - Fairytales.	<b><u>DT</u></b> Puppet making - using different techniques to join fabrics
<b><u>Religion and worldviews</u></b> What is God's job? Islam, Christianity and Judaism	<b><u>PSHE</u></b> We are following a scheme of work called 'Jigsaw'. The topics this term are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dreams and Goals</li></ul>	<b><u>Computing</u></b> Learning about online safety, including using useful tips to stay safe when online	<b><u>PE</u></b> Cognitive - observe and describe

### **Year 1 Spring Term 2**

Daily Phonics and English lessons. These teach our children reading, writing and spelling.

Maths: Numbers to 40, word problems, place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication

<b><u>Geography</u></b> What is the weather like in the U.K.?	<b><u>Science</u></b> Plants: Children will learn to identify different common plants and trees. They will name the parts of a flowering plant. Additionally, children will learn the difference between a deciduous and evergreen tree.	<b><u>Music</u></b> Pitch - tempo	<b><u>Art</u></b> Painting and mixed media: Colour Splash  Children explore mixing primary and secondary colours using a number of techniques. Children will look at the work of the artist Clarice Cliff.
<b><u>Religion and worldviews</u></b> Why should we care for the world?  We will also be continuing with our <b><u>No Outsiders</u></b> work to teach diversity and equality and to support our relationships work	<b><u>PSHE</u></b> We are following a scheme of work called 'Jigsaw'. The topics this term are: - Healthy Me	<b><u>Computing</u></b> Online Safety and Digital imagery	<b><u>PE</u></b> Creative - working on coordination and movement.

Please contact your child's class teacher using class Dojo if you have any questions about anything listed above. We look forward to another enjoyable term of learning with your child.

Thank you for your continuing support,

**Year 1 Staff**