

Year 1 ready- what you can do

In Year 1 we cover the Foundation Subjects of the National Curriculum through our Creative Curriculum topics. The topics are revealed to the children and parents at the beginning of each term with a parent leaflet. The topics usually start with a 'surprise' or 'wow event' which is why we like to keep it secret.

The children will also learn and further extend aspects of Religious Education, Computing including E-Safety, PSHE, Healthy Eating, Music, Sex and Relationships Education and Physical Education.

As well as supporting your child with their academic learning we believe it's important to develop the whole child and that **'learning is for life'** therefore this page gives some strategies and ideas for other things that might benefit your child to be able to do before they enter Year 1.

To practice sharing and taking turns including playing a variety of board games/family games.	Having conversations about events, activities and their environment with adults to extend vocabulary- road signs, what they thought of a film, meanings of new words <i>etc</i>	Getting dressed independently and start practicing tie and shoe laces if you have them	Have a concept of 'telling the time' using analogue clock and perhaps owning a watch.
Understand that trying is an important part to succeeding and making mistakes is part of learning- spelling, riding a bike, reading <i>etc</i>	Be able to clear away their own food after eating, checking for anything they may have dropped and picking it up themselves.	Have a good understanding of the importance of E-Safety.	Look after their own belongings such as their named school jumper, lunch box and bags.
To understand how to be safe outside and inside- crossing a road, talking to strangers, cooking safely <i>etc</i>	Ensure they use all manners and treat peers and adults with respect	Know, read and spell correctly the days of the week and months of the year.	Have an understanding of recycling and taking care of the environment and ways to do this.

High Achievers

If your child is achieving well we encourage children to work at a greater depth and use mastery to apply their understanding rather than moving onto year 2 work.

Reading, Writing and maths

There is no better way to ensure your child is ready for year 1 than to encourage reading, writing and maths skills but by this we mean building confidence. Count everything, look at and explore numbers and words around their world- cereal packets, road signs, shop signs, T.V. shows.