

Wingate School Curriculum Overview

Year 1

Speaking and Listening

It is very important that your child listens and is able to concentrate. Many subjects that we teach involve an introduction where he/she needs to listen carefully and take part in practically, so that when asked to do so, he/she is able to complete the task that will be set.

Reading

Your child will read in class at least twice a week. Please read each night at home to help fluency and understanding, and sign or make a comment in his/her home reading record.

As the reading books get longer, your child's book may not be changed each time he/she reads in class. Please do not worry; we like to ensure that your child can complete the comprehension tasks set in class that go with the book.

By the end of Year 1, we expect most children will have read Ginn levels 3 and 4, and to widen the breadth of their experience, some books from level 3, 4 and 5 of Oxford Reading Tree.

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Phonics

We shall continue using "Jolly Phonics", as in Reception, revising sounds that they have already been introduced to, and also new letter clusters e.g. str, spl, br, cl etc. The children will have a spelling book with the new list put in each week after their spelling test. Spelling tests are every Friday.

It is very important that your child learns his/her spellings each week, as this re-enforces his/her sounds knowledge when reading, and also enables them to spell key words correctly when writing stories.

Writing

By the end of the year, we expect most children will be writing sentences and re-writing stories with a beginning, middle and end. They should be using capital letters and full stops in the appropriate places. Letter formation should be correct, with letters being the same size and writing sitting on lines.

Numeracy

By the end of Year 1, your child will be expected to know the following:

- Number bonds up to 10 e.g. $6+4=10$, $4+6=10$, $10-4=6$, $10-6=4$.
- Recognise and write numerals up to 100, and count forwards and backwards in 2s, 5s and 10s from a given number.
- The names of 2 and 3 dimensional shapes e.g. circle, square, cube, cuboid, o'clock and half past in time, the values of British coins up to £2...
- The language of maths: smaller than, bigger than, more than, less than etc.

Citizenship

During the year, there will be a session each week where we talk about choices, feelings, belonging, likes and dislikes and people who help us. This is a time where listening, speaking and confidence skills are also developed.

Computing

Your child will regularly use the computer or tablets to complete tasks associated with the maths, literacy and topic. During the year they will also learn about algorithms and how to use technology to retrieve and create.

Spanish

In Spanish, the class is split into two groups; those who are already fluent in Spanish and beginners.

Music

Your child has a music lesson each week with Miss Pearson. He/she will investigate sound, rhythm, beat using percussion instruments and singing.