

YEAR 1 @ GST

SUMMER TERM NEWS



Message from Miss Mercer

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back for the summer term! I hope you are well and have enjoyed the Easter break. As we enter the summer term, I wanted to share some exciting news about our Year 1 curriculum.

This term, we are excited to delve into a range of engaging lessons that will encourage the children to explore and develop their understanding of the world around them. We will also focus on helping the children become more independent, preparing them for when they become top infants.

Please remember the importance of reading together at home. Establishing a reading routine can greatly support your child's literacy development.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to an exciting term ahead.

Best wishes,

Miss Mercer



Key days of the week

Mondays

Tuesdays

PE

Wednesdays

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Homework folder to be handed in

Children will take a library book home

Thursdays

Homework folder will be sent home

PE

Fridays

Reminders

- Please ensure your child's homework pack is in their bag each day.
- After you have read with your child, please sign their reading record.

Coming up for Year 1...

- School trip TBC
- Phonics Screening Check Week Beg 9th June
- Sports Day – 13.06.25
- Summer Tough Mudder



Summer Term Learning

Further curriculum information is available [here](#)

Below is an overview of the curriculum that will be covered in our final term. Please aware that our PE days have changed and will now take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. 😊

English

Children will continue to learn the remaining Set 3 sounds while consolidating the ones they have learned. We will enjoy a range of stories which we will base our stories on. Children will be taught to use conjunctions. Children will continue to work on their letter formation.

Maths

This term, we will cover maths units on: multiplication and division, fractions, position and direction, place value (within 100), money and time.

Science

Children will learn the basic parts of a plant. They will also learn to identify, name and describe a variety of garden and wildflowers as well as evergreen and deciduous trees.

RE

Children will learn about the celebration of baptism. They will explore ways in which people of faith welcome babies.

History

In history, children will explore the enquiry question, 'Should we call Grace O'Malley a pirate?' Children will consider the characteristics of pirates and learn about Grace O'Malley's life.

Geography

In geography, we will learn about our local area and school using fieldwork. We will learn the 4 points of a compass and even plan part of the school, using symbols and simple keys.

Art and Design

Children will draw birds and feathers. They will then manipulate their drawings to make 3D forms. Children will explore balance to finally create an individual structure of a bird.

Design and Technology

In the second half term, children will design, make and evaluate a fruit snack for a class picnic. The children will be taught to peel, cut, slice, grate and squeeze fruit and vegetables.

Music

We will listen and sing along to songs. Children will find and keep the pulse or beat by marching, clapping or swaying in time to music. They will play glockenspiels alongside songs.

PE

P.E. sessions are scheduled to take place on a Tuesday and a Wednesday. Children will undertake units on Overarm Throwing and Tri-Throlf.

Computing

Children will complete units on 'Digital writing' and 'Programming animations'. Children will be introduced to on-screen programming through ScratchJr. They will move blocks to use, modify and create programs.

Languages

In the infants, children learn Spanish. This term we will learn how to say the names of animals, family members and sports.

PSHE

We will cover age-related topics over the year. This term we will be concentrating on 'Being my Best' and 'Growing and Changing'.

Contact us

Questions about learning

Please contact me on the GST school app.

Concerns

If you have a concern about something in school, please get in touch with me to arrange a telephone call or meeting.

Absence/appointments etc.

Please send a message to the school office on the GST school app.

Breakfast club and after school club

Please e-mail: office@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk.

**If you need to get in touch
urgently with school, please
call the school office on
01995 603454**