



ST RICHARD'S
SCHOOL

Curriculum Overview Spring Term Year 1

Bright Lights, Big City



Year 1 Timetable

Day	Subject
Monday	
Tuesday	PE – wear PE kit to school
Wednesday	Homework due in
Thursday	
Friday	Homework set

Reading at Home

Children are expected to read at least 5x per week. All reading should be recorded in the Reading Record. Each child will be given a Read Write Inc (RWI) book and a library book. The RWI book should be read to an adult. The library book should be read to your child by an adult.

Homework

Homework is given out on a Friday and needs to be handed in the following Wednesday. Homework consists of a handwriting practice sheet, a Maths task and spelling words to learn. Maths and spelling activities can also be practised on Spelling Shed. Your child's login details can be found in the front of their reading record. Children also have home access to Purple Mash.

Useful Websites

<http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/forgew13>

English

In English lessons we will be reading the Power of Reading texts: *Claude in the City* by Alex T Smith, *The Invisible* by Tom Percival and *Beegu* by Alexis Deacon. Through these texts the children will be writing descriptions using adjectives, story mapping and writing different types of reports and recounts. They will use 'and' to join ideas and clauses when sequencing sentences to write short narratives.

Maths

We will start the term by learning to add and subtract within 20 and exploring place value to 50, including counting in tens and representing numbers up to 50 using manipulatives. After half term, the children will learn to compare lengths and heights through measuring and using a ruler. They will also learn to measure and compare mass, as well as solve problems using this knowledge.



Science

Throughout the term, we will be exploring *Seasonal Changes*. The children will learn about the four seasons and typical weather and events associated with them. They will measure the weather and learn about the role of a meteorologist. The children will begin to learn about the science of day and night and recognise that the seasons have varying day lengths.

Religious Education

For the first half term we will be learning about the world religion of Judaism to answer the question, *what is it like to live as a Jewish person?* After half term, we will explore the 10 commandments and think about why Easter is the most important festival for Christians.

Art and Design Technology

In our 'Rain and Sunrays' unit, we will learn about collagraphy printing, including how to develop a motif to make single and repeated patterns using ink and paint. In our DT unit 'Taxi', we will be learning about wheels, axles and chassis and how they work together to make a vehicle move. We will apply this to make our own moving model of a London bus or taxi.

PE

In Fitness lessons, we will take part in different sporting challenges. We will develop the skills of sending, receiving and dribbling a ball needed for invasion games. In dance, we will create phrases by linking and repeating movements.

Computing

We will learn about following, creating and ordering instructions using the computer, use the direction keys and create animated story books.

History and Geography

In our 'Bright Lights, Big City' topic, we will learn about the key events of the Great Fire of London and the diary of Samuel Pepys. In Geography, we will be revisiting the countries and capital cities of the UK as well as learning about the physical features of the UK and landmarks of London. We will use maps, aerial photographs and develop our use of geographical vocabulary.

Music

We will be learning about different music styles. We will play simple melodies on the glock and rhythms using percussion instruments.

PSHE

We will be thinking about different rules, looking after the environment, internet safety and jobs in the community.