

Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome to the new school year at Armfield Academy. We hope that you enjoyed the summer break and that your child is now looking forward to a happy and healthy start to Key Stage One. The curriculum map details some of the main aspects of learning we will be looking at this half term. The transition between EYFS and Year 1 can sometimes be challenging for pupils; therefore time will also be spent on structured play-based learning in a Foundation-Stage friendly setting to help your child adjust. This will work alongside structured English, Phonics and Maths sessions, as well as challenges that will be set for your child to complete independently throughout the day and week.

In Maths

Throughout the first half term maths will focus heavily on learning number, place value, addition and subtraction skills. Alongside learning these skills there will be a strong emphasis on problem solving and explaining their work out. The children will use a range of practical equipment to support their learning.

In P.E.

Gymnastics and games. Led by Miss Cairns and Mr Height.

As Musicians

Hey You – Singing and Performing

As Geographers

As a geographer Year 1 will be learning how to name and locate the four countries and their capital cities in the United Kingdom on a map.

In Literacy

Reading is one of the main priorities for our Year 1 children. Children will read to an adult in school through one to one and guided read sessions. Alongside reading, children will also be given weekly phonics sounds and tricky words to practice at home and children will also engage in phonics and letter formation sessions daily at school.

Linked to the reading we are going to help children develop writing through looking at:

- Labels, lists and captions.
- Character and setting descriptions
- Story writing
- Instructions



As Artists

As artists we will be sketching self-portraits through a variety of different media. The children will explore adding careful details with charcoal and oil pastels. We will be looking at the artwork of Pablo Picasso.

Superhumans

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As Scientists

As scientists the children will be exploring the human body. This includes naming parts of the human body that they can see and linking the correct part of the human body to each sense.

In R.E.

Children will be learning about The Creation Story and discussing Does God want Christians to look after the world?

In Computing

- ❖ E-Safety
- ❖ Recognising technology in our lives
- ❖ Digital art

In PSHE

- Healthy Lifestyles
- Growing and Changing
- Keeping Safe