Hamworthy Primary Schools
Curriculum Overview

Year 1 — Autumn 1 Term 2026

English

Children will have a focus on the fundamental skills to make them a competent writer. Children will strengthen their knowledge on how to correctly punctuate a sentence using a capital letter, finger space and full stop. We will identify capital letters and their relationship to lower and upper case. The children will focus on their oracy skills to help rehearse and build sentences correctly. They will be applying their tricky words and sounds that they learn during phonics.



Maths

Children will be working with numbers up to 10, embedding their learning from Reception. Children will learn to order numbers correctly, whilst learning one more and one less than a given number. Children will learn to compare quantities, using language of more than, less than and equal. Children will then build on this learning, looking at addition and subtraction within 10.

Science




This term, we will be focusing on Materials. We will be learning about how they are made and what material is best used to make different items. We will also be learning about their different properties.



Humanities




Children will develop an understanding of our school grounds. They will be learning about maps and their uses. Children will also learn about human and physical features and the differences between them.

Arts



Our first focus this year will be on drawing. We will focus on the artist Christa Rijneveld, looking carefully at the different types of lines and techniques she uses. We will learn about scumbling, stippling, smudging, hatching and crosshatching.

PSHE

We will begin this term by discussing our '5RS' and 'Be Brilliant' rules. We will also be learning about families and what makes families unique.

PE & Sports



This term, we will be focusing on our skills of gymnastics. Children will be learning about different ways to move their body, creating different shapes and balances, as well as learning different rolls e.g. straight roll and barrel roll.

Computing



We will be learning about digital painting. Children will be using online platforms to create their own creative artwork.

Music



We will be exploring the different instruments, learning about the sounds they make. We will also be learning to play and perform.

RE



Our focus this term will be on the Creation Story, developing an understanding of how Christians believe the Earth was created.

Other Information about this term:

Our PE days are on Thursdays and Fridays. PE kit will be required for all children.

Home Learning

We expect all children to read at home at least 3 times a week and for this to be recorded in their Reading Record Books. Home learning will be sent home on a Friday and will outline the task for children to complete and when it needs to be returned.

Children will also receive weekly spellings for them to practise based on the Year 1 common exception words.

