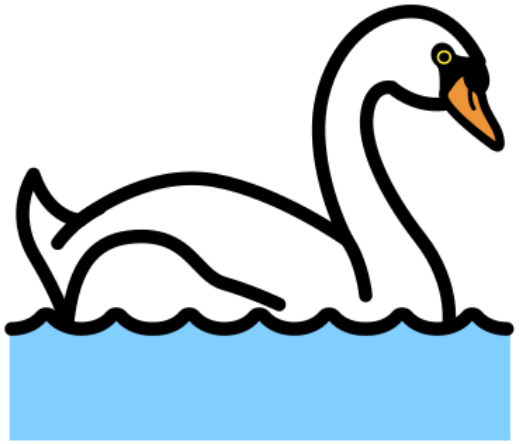
Kiwi Primary School

CURRICULUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Autumn Term 2 2026



Swan Class
Mrs Turner-Horn

Welcome to Year One

We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead and exploring our new topics.

Homework

Daily reading at home is strongly encouraged. Your child will be sent home with a reading record, which we ask parents to write in when they have shared a book at home, or if your child has read independently. Children will be asked to bring these into school daily. Books will be changed ones the children have completed three reads at school.

PE

The children will take part in two PE sessions per week, one indoor and one outdoor. Please ensure your child comes into school wearing the correct PE kit and are dressed appropriately for all weathers.
PE days are: Monday and Thursday.

School website

Please use our school website https://www.kiwi.wilts.sch.uk/ for regular updates and copies of letters sent home.

Many thanks,
Year 1 Team
Mrs Turner-Horn and Mrs Matthews.

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Year 1
Where am I?

English
This term, we will use an approach inspired by Drawing Club, where children explore stories through discussion, drawing and writing. Our key texts include I love me, Martha maps it out and Here we are, helping to develop children's vocabulary, imagination and early writing skills. Children will also take part in daily phonics lessons and reading groups matched to their reading ability. Please support your child by reading with them at home every day.

Maths
This term, Year 1 will focus on addition and subtraction.
We will start by looking at the whole and then breaking it into parts. We will learn number bonds to 10 and create these in practical and colourful ways. Once we are secure in our number bonds we will move on to addition, adding parts together and adding more to a part. We will then begin subtraction and introduce fact families.

Science
This half term, children will have an introduction to scientific enquiry looking at microhabitats in the school environment. They will also discover how to identify and group minibeasts. We will end the unit by linking back to work last half term on food chains.

Geography
In this unit children will be able to familiarise themselves with the United Kingdom and its elements such as the four countries. Children will be using maps and atlases to support their learning and will go on to recreate their own of a familiar area.

Computing
This half term, Year 1 will be learning about digital photography. Children will explore how digital devices capture photographs and discover what makes a good photograph. They will have opportunities to take, review and improve their own pictures, experimenting with lighting, focus, backgrounds and framing. They will also learn how to edit digital images using different tools and filters, developing their confidence and creativity with technology.

PSHE
This term, children will learn about differences between people and how this is good. We will think about unkindness and teasing, linking to our school value of owning our actions. We will also think about special people in our lives.

RE
This term our overarching question is "What do people believe God looks like?". We will be exploring how other people understand God on Earth; considering different representations of God and understanding why this is challenging. We will touch on Christian, Muslim and Hindu beliefs. We will reinforce those different opinions and beliefs are not wrong, but very special.

Art
This unit focuses on teaching pupils to shape and decorate clay, create a pinch pot as well as designing to make a clay tile with house features. It emphasises practical skills in working with clay and applying artistic techniques in a structured project. We will look at work from named sculptures such as Rachel Whiteread.

PE
Our indoor PE this term is dodgeball. Children will improve their ability to move fluently changing speed and direction. The children develop basic ball control including catching a large ball and aiming towards a target.
In golf, children will explore different ways of moving, developing movement and coordination. Children will also develop manipulation skills - pushing, rolling and putting a ball towards a target, performing with some control and accuracy and understanding the importance of using equipment safely.

Enrichment activities & Key Dates
11th November - Evening of Remembrance Walk
13th November - Children in Need Day
1st December – Open Box Christmas Panto
15/16th December – KS1 Carol Concert