

“Everyone valued, everyone challenged, everyone achieving.”

Theme - I Am Enough

Who are we? What makes us human? How are we different from each other? How are we shaped by where we live and our life stories? An exploration of our bodies, senses, feelings and emotions; the key characteristics that connect and distinguish us from each other; where and how we live in Newham today.



Big Ideas

IDENTITY
Identity is who you are. The **identity** of a person or place is the characteristics that they have that distinguish them from others.

DIVERSITY
Diversity is how people, places or things are different from each other. The **diversity** of something is the fact that it contains many different elements.



English

In year 1, pupils will start by reinforcing and developing the basic skills of composing sentences, using capital letters and full stops in the correct place and word order. After this, they will learn how to write labels, lists and captions, linking with the science unit - to label the human body. Pupils will learn about stories with familiar settings, and explore poems after which they will create their own shape poem. They will also be writing instructions on how to create a scrumptious exotic Caribbean rainbow salad - relating this to learning in D&T where they will plan, design and create their own. Later in the term, pupils will be looking at different traditional stories in celebration of Black History Month where they will be sequencing the focus texts and developing an understanding of different cultures.

During guided reading, pupils will be taught to:

- Recognise high frequency and common exception words
- Further develop reading fluency
- Use inference, starting with images
- Provide evidence from the text to demonstrate understanding
- Make sensible predictions
Develop intonation

Through daily phonics sessions, pupils will be learning new phonemes. They will be blending and segmenting sounds to help them in their reading and writing. This year will be very important to your child as their phonics will be checked at the end of the school year.

We are continuing to promote Standard English in both speaking and writing by performing a poem every half term.

Year 1 Curriculum Guide Autumn 2023

Year 1 Team

**Miss Ahmed (VGL) (Bumblebee Class), Miss J Begum (Butterfly Class),
Miss Roud (Moth Class), Miss S Begum (Beetle Class)**

In Year 1, we aim for pupils to be confident and independent learners. We thank parents for your partnership with our school and your involvement in your child's learning. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Enrichment

Local area walk and visit to a local Church of England Church.

Home Learning

We consider home learning to be very valuable and appreciate the support of parents to assist your child to complete weekly homework set on Google Classroom - your child's login details will be given to you shortly. We would like you to expose your child to a range of texts and encourage them to read using Bug Club online. When listening to your child read, we would like you to ask your child questions based on the text and suggest they use evidence from the text to explain how they worked out their answer. Please write a comment in your child's reading record which will be checked weekly. Pupils will also be given a poem to take home and learn by heart for their school performance with actions. On a daily basis, we would recommend that you help your child prepare for their weekly spelling test using the "Look, Write, Cover, Check" approach.

Mathematics

In year 1, we will be focusing heavily on the "Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract" (CPA) approach. We are currently teaching children through 'Maths No Problem'. In this programme, we teach pupils topics with breadth and depth as well as encouraging them to reason as much as possible.

We aim to master:

- Counting
- Addition and subtraction
- A range of problem solving opportunities.



Pupils must learn to count, recognise numbers and number bonds up to 20. You can further challenge your child by encouraging them to start counting from different numbers and both backwards and forwards.

PE - Friday & Wednesday

**Outdoor Focus: Netball, Cricket
Indoor Focus: Yoga, Gymnastics**

Please make sure your child brings their PE kit into school every Monday. Please ensure that your child has their name written on all uniform.



Computing

This term, the focus is online safety. Pupils will be alerted to the potential dangers of the internet and finding ways to stay safe following the SMART approach. Also, pupils will use Britannica Online, the internet and appropriate search engines to research relevant information on the topics taught.

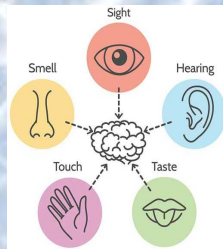




Science

Pupils will be learning about humans and plants. We will be taking inspiration from the ideas proposed by Louis Braille, a French Educator. We will explore:

- The human body
- The five senses
- The difference between living and non-living things.



Pupils will also learn about different types of plants as they identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. Our focus scientist will be Beatrix Potter. Pupils will be describing the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees and going on nature walks within the school environment.



These topics will enlighten your child. Also, they will provide pupils with an opportunity to use scientific research and reasoning to present their ideas.

History

The learning in history, which links with geography, will explore the topic of 'Our Local Area'. Pupils will learn about the past and the changes that have occurred over time in their local area, Manor Park. We will discuss these changes and why they were important. They will include transport, restaurants, shops and places of worship. We will link this to our theme 'I am Enough' as we discuss the multi-cultural diversity present in our local area today.



Music



We will be learning about the different materials that musical instruments are made from. Our focus will be on rhythm, pulse and African beats (linking with Black History Month). We will be taking inspiration from our lead focus musician, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor. Pupils will be composing their own short piece and infusing their ideas together.



Performance

Little Rabbit Foo Foo by Michael Rosen

RE/PSHCE

The main theme of RE this term is 'Belonging'. Pupils will be able to reflect on their religious and social groups. They will be having a look at the special objects and ways people show their sense of belonging to the different religions including Christianity, Islam, Sikhism and Hinduism.



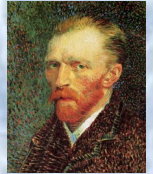
We will also go on a walk around our local area where we will explore some of the features we can see as we walk past temples, churches and mosques.



This term in PSHCE, pupils will be learning about healthy eating and hygiene. They will focus on healthy lifestyles and the impact and importance of exercising for wellbeing!

Art/DT

In art lessons, Year 1 will be exploring 'observational drawing' to create self portraits and link this to close observations of plants (science learning). Our focus artist will be Vincent Van Gogh who is a post-impressionist Dutch painter, famous for his portraits and paintings of sunflowers.



Our focus during D&T lessons will be on cooking and nutrition this term. Pupils will be learning ways of cooking and the importance of nutrition - linking this in nicely with our learning in PSHCE. We will be creating our own delicious exotic Caribbean fruit salad.

Geography

Our topic will be 'Our Local Area'. Pupils will be learning about the demographics and location of Newham.

Pupils will have the opportunity to:

- Improve their map reading skills
 - Learn how Newham has changed over time.
- Furthermore, we will be going on a walk around our local area where we will explore Manor Park. We will also link this into our learning in RE of 'Belonging' as we have a look at mosques, churches and temples.

