



Welcome back to school - we hope that you all had a lovely Christmas break. This term's topic is **the Natural World**.

School Uniforms

We love seeing all the children looking smart in their school uniforms and plain sensible shoes. Please ensure that **everything is named** (including coats, water bottles, wellies etc) so we can reunite children and missing items more easily. Anything lost and unnamed goes into the lost property box under the shelter by the KS1 classrooms.

PE Kits

Please make sure these are named and don't forget that children can wear PE kit to school on Tuesday for PPA day!

Staying Healthy

Being well hydrated is important for learning. Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school at all times. Alverton has a 'healthy tuck' policy for infants and fruit is provided at playtimes. Please don't send children into school with sweets, crisps, chocolate etc. for tuck.

Helping in School

If you have spare time and would like to commit to helping in the school then please Mrs Gill in the office.

Learning in Key Stage 1

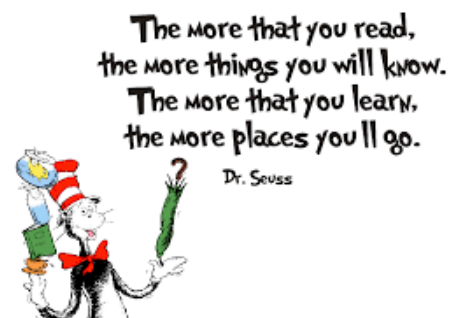
We believe that learning as an infant should be an imaginative, creative and immersive experience. Our aim is to create children who are passionate, resilient and increasingly independent learners who can reflect on and take pride in their achievements.

Working Together

If you would like to meet your class teacher to discuss how best to support your child (or for any other reason!) then please do not hesitate to arrange an appointment. After school is always easier as in the mornings we are settling the children and getting ready for learning.

Supporting at Home

Please read with your child every day! It really is **the single most important** way you can help support your child's learning. Spellings and Topic homework grids are sent home termly. Children will also have access at home to some web-based APPs that the school pays for. More details will be available from your class teacher.





Alverton Key Stage 1 Curriculum Overview Spring 2023

English

We will base our English writing on carefully selected texts. We will read a range of books, identify interesting vocabulary and understand the main themes of the text. We will then write sentences based on our reading.



Maths

We will follow the White Rose scheme of Maths, building on prior knowledge, as well as teaching new concepts. There are some resources here if you would like to practise key skills at home: <https://whiterosemaths.com/parent-workbooks/>



Science

In Science we will continue our work on seasonal changes, as well as looking at plants and animals, including humans.



Computing

We will recap how to communicate and stay safe online, as well as learning to gather and present information using technology.



Geography

We will look at the geography of our local area and learn about map work, as well as learning about the importance of looking after the world around us.



RE

In RE we will be thinking about what Christians believe God is like. We will also learn about the Jewish way of life.



Art & DT

In art we will create paper sculpture and in DT we will design and make a windmill for the Lorax.



PE

In PE we will practise hand-eye coordination as well as playing lots of cooperative games.

PSHE

We will be following the 'Go Givers' scheme of work, looking at friendship, communities and environmental issues. We will also continue to practise the 5 Ways to Wellbeing. More info here: <https://www.mindkit.org.uk/5-ways-to-wellbeing/>

