

Tenacres First School – Curriculum Information for Parents

Year 1- Spring Term 2024

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We know the children are going to love our new topic...One Small Step.

As the name suggests we will be using Space as a stimulus for all our learning.

We will have a history focus by discussing the historical events and key figures in space exploration.

How you can help your child:

- Encourage regular reading. Children should be reading at **least 3 times a week.**
- In Year 1 it is very important that children read the books on Bug Club (as these match their phonic ability) as well as the books they bring home.
- Ask questions about what they've read and get them to explain the book.
- Don't forget to record reading in your child's home-school diary!
- Practise mental maths (details on homework grid)
- Encourage children to complete topic homework.
- Practise reading and spelling tricky words, high frequency words and sounds, all of which can be found in your child's diary.



P.E:

Monday (indoor)
Thursday (outdoor)

Please ensure children come in to school dressed suitably- this includes a **school tshirt and school jumper** and jogging bottoms with trainers.



Homework

- Bug Club Reading- the books on Bug Club match the children's phonics level so are beneficial to their reading progress.
- Reading – The more you can do, the better. Reading books will be given out on a Monday and changed if needed for new ones on a Thursday. Children will continue to organise this themselves.
- Phonics- as we get closer to the phonics screen test (for all Year 1 pupils) it is so important for the children to practise reading and spelling their focus sounds/words (as found in the diary each week)
- Topic Homework (please see grid)



English

- Use capital letters for names and days.
- Add the suffix 'ed' to words.
- Correctly spell singular and plural words (adding s/es)
- Correctly punctuate with full stops and question marks.
- Write a series of sentences to form narratives.
- Clearly explain their understanding of what is being read to them.

History

- Learn about the lives of significant people: Neil Armstrong/Tim Peake.
- Learn about the international achievements and events.
- Comparing toys in the past to our toys now.

PE

- Gymnastics
- Football

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- Explore and create structures focusing on making them stiffer, stronger and more stable.

Science

- Explore how day length varies.
- Learn about Earth and our Solar System.

Art

- Know the primary colours.
- Explore coloured materials to mix secondary colours.
- Mix different shades.
- Create prints using paint.

PSHE

- Our dreams and goals.

Computing

- Coding with Beebots

Maths

- Exploring the place value of numbers to 50.
- To find one more and one less with numbers to 50.
- Use language of more, most, least, fewer to compare numbers.
- Counting to and across 100.
- Count in 2s, 5s and 10s
- To recall number facts to 10, plus their related subtraction fact.
- Compare, describe and solve problems with length and height.
- Measure and record lengths and height.

