

Year 1 Learning Overview Autumn 1	
Literacy	Key Text: <i>The Three Little Pigs</i> by Axel Scheffler In Year 1, students will dive into fairy tales with a focus on <i>The Three Little Pigs</i> by Axel Scheffler. They will retell the story, write character descriptions, and compose letters from the characters' perspectives. This unit aims to enhance their storytelling and writing skills in a fun, engaging way.
Phonics	In Year 1, students following the Little Wandle phonics programme will focus on recognising and blending phonemes, decoding simple words, and reading high-frequency words. They will practise segmenting sounds and applying phonics skills in both reading and writing activities.
Maths	Students will begin exploring <b>place value</b> . They will learn to understand the value of digits in numbers, comparing and ordering numbers up to 20. This foundational concept will be built through hands-on activities and visual aids to help students grasp the importance of each digit's position in a number.
Science	Students will start a unit on <b>Animals, Including Humans</b> . They will explore different types of animals and their habitats, learn about basic body parts and their functions, and understand how humans and animals grow and stay healthy.
Computing	Students will start a unit on <b>Technology Around Us</b> based on the Teach Computing scheme. They will learn about various types of technology, including everyday devices and how they help us in daily life.
History	In Year 1, the history unit on <b>Toys</b> will explore how toys have changed over time. Pupils will compare old and new toys, learn about different materials and designs from the past, and discover how toys reflect the times in which they were made.
DT	In DT pupils will complete a unit on <b>Mechanisms: Sliders and Pivots</b> will focus on creating moving toys. Pupils will learn how sliders and pivots work to make parts of a toy move.
Music	In Music pupils will complete the unit <b>Keeping the Pulse</b> introduces pupils to the concept of rhythm and pulse in music. They will learn to recognise and maintain a steady beat, practice clapping and moving to the pulse, and explore how different rhythms fit together.
PSHE	In the PSHE unit <b>Celebrating Me</b> will focus on helping pupils to recognise and appreciate their own unique qualities and achievements. They will explore what makes them special, share their interests and talents, and learn about self-esteem and respect.
RE	In RE pupils will complete the unit <b>What Do Christians Believe About God?</b> Within this unit pupils will be introduced to Christian beliefs about God. They will explore key concepts such as God as a loving and caring figure, learn about stories from the Bible that illustrate these beliefs, and discuss how Christians express their faith.
PE	In PE, pupils will complete the unit <b>Gym Run</b> which has a strong focus on fitness. Students will engage in a variety of exercises and activities designed to improve their stamina, strength, and coordination.