

Navigation Primary School

English Curriculum

Year 1

Guidance Document

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Year 1 - Objectives

Year 1 pupils will be taught the following objectives throughout the academic year. On some occasions, these objectives may be covered on more than one occasion if the teacher feels it necessary. Throughout each theme, (E.g. Instructions), objectives from several areas of study may be covered over a short term.

Area of study	Objectives
Spoken Word	<p>Pupils will be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ listen and respond appropriately to adults and their peers▪ ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge▪ to build their vocabulary▪ to clearly give and justify answers, arguments and opinions▪ give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings▪ maintain attention during discussions and participate actively in group conversations, staying on topic and starting and responding to comments▪ use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas▪ speak with an increasing command of Standard English▪ participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role play, improvisations and debates▪ gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener(s)▪ consider and evaluate different viewpoints, attending to and building on the contributions of others▪ select and use appropriate language for effective communication.

<p>Word Reading</p>	<p>Pupils will be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words • respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of letters) for all phonemes • read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words where there is a relationship between the letter and the sound have been taught • read common exception words (words which do not follow a general spelling rule), noting unusual similarities between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word • read words where there is a relationship between the letter and the sound and -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er and -est endings • read other words of more than one syllable that contain taught where there is a relationship between the letter and the sound • read words with contractions [for example, I'm, I'll, we'll], and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s) • read aloud accurately books that are consistent with their developing phonic knowledge and that do not require them to use other strategies to work out words • re-read these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading.
<p>Comprehension</p>	<p>Pupils will be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ listening to and discussing a wide range of poems, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently ▪ being encouraged to link what they read or hear read to their own experiences ▪ becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy stories and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their

	<p>particular characteristics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ recognising and joining in with predictable phrases ▪ learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to recite some by heart ▪ discussing word meanings, linking new meanings to those already known <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ understand both the books they can already read accurately and fluently and those they listen to by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher ▪ checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading ▪ discussing the significance of the title and events ▪ making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done ▪ predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far ▪ participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say ▪ explain clearly their understanding of what is read to them.
<p>Writing - transcription</p>	<p>Spelling (see the last section of this document)</p> <p>Pupils will be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ spell: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taught ▪ common exception words ▪ the days of the week ▪ name the letters of the alphabet: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ naming the letters of the alphabet in order ▪ using letter names to distinguish between alternative spellings of the same sound ▪ add prefixes and suffixes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ using the spelling rule for adding -s or -es as the plural marker for nouns and the third person singular marker for

	<p>verbs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ using the prefix un- ▪ using -ing, -ed, -er and -est where no change is needed in the spelling of root words [for example, helping, helped, helper, eating, quicker, quickest] ▪ apply simple spelling rules and guidance, as listed in the last section of this document ▪ write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words where there is a relationship between the letter and the sound (GPC words), and common exception words taught so far.
<p>Writing - Handwriting</p>	<p>Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly • begin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place • form capital letters • form digits 0-9 • understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these.
<p>Writing - Composition</p>	<p>Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ write sentences by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ saying out loud what they are going to write about ▪ composing a sentence orally before writing it ▪ sequencing sentences to form short narratives ▪ re-reading what they have written to check that it makes sense ▪ discuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupils <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ read aloud their writing clearly enough to be heard by their peers and the teacher.

Writing - Grammar,
Vocabulary and
Punctuation

Pupils should be taught to:

- develop their understanding of the concepts of grammar, vocabulary and punctuation by:
 - leaving spaces between words
 - joining words and joining clauses using and
 - beginning to punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark
 - using a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'
 - learning the grammar for year 1 (See below)
 - use the grammatical terminology in the last section when discussing their writing.

Year 1 - Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

This section shows the grammar, vocabulary and punctuation which Year 1 pupils will be taught in their English lessons this year. This will be done throughout the year, and will support the development of their writing.

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Word	Regular plural noun suffixes <i>-s</i> or <i>-es</i> [for example, <i>dog, dogs; wish, wishes</i>], including the effects of these suffixes on the meaning of the noun Suffixes that can be added to verbs where no change is needed in the spelling of root words (e.g. <i>helping, helped, helper</i>) How the prefix <i>un-</i> changes the meaning of verbs and adjectives [negation, for example, <i>unkind</i> , or <i>undoing: untie the boat</i>]
Sentence	How words can combine to make sentences Joining words and joining clauses using <i>and</i>
Text	Sequencing sentences to form short narratives
Punctuation	Separation of words with spaces Introduction to capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences Capital letters for names and for the personal pronoun <i>I</i>
Terminology for pupils	letter, capital letter word, singular, plural sentence punctuation, full stop, question mark, exclamation mark

Year 1 - Spelling

This section shows the statutory spelling requirements which Year 1 pupils will be taught.

<i>Statutory requirements</i>
<p>Pupils in Year 1 will revise the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ all letters of the alphabet and the sounds which they most commonly represent ▪ consonant digraphs which have been taught and the sounds which they represent ▪ vowel digraphs which have been taught and the sounds which they represent ▪ the process of segmenting spoken words into sounds before choosing graphemes to represent the sounds ▪ words with adjacent consonants ▪ guidance and rules which have been taught

<i>Spelling themes/rules</i>	<i>Rules and guidance</i>	<i>Example words</i>
The sounds /f/, /l/, /s/, /z/ and /k/ spelt ff, ll, ss, zz and ck	The /f/, /l/, /s/, /z/ and /k/ sounds are usually spelt as ff , ll , ss , zz and ck if they come straight after a single vowel letter in short words. Exceptions: if, pal, us, bus, yes.	off, well, miss, buzz, back
The /ŋ/ sound spelt n before k		bank, think, honk, sunk
Division of words into syllables	Each syllable is like a 'beat' in the spoken word. Words of more than one syllable often have an unstressed syllable in which the vowel sound is unclear.	pocket, rabbit, carrot, thunder, sunset

<i>Spelling themes/rules</i>	<i>Rules and guidance</i>	<i>Example words</i>
-tch	The /tʃ/ sound is usually spelt as tch if it comes straight after a single vowel letter. Exceptions: rich, which, much, such.	catch, fetch, kitchen, notch, hutch
The /v/ sound at the end of words	English words hardly ever end with the letter v , so if a word ends with a /v/ sound, the letter e usually needs to be added after the 'v'.	have, live, give
Adding s and es to words (plural of nouns and the third person singular of verbs)	If the ending sounds like /s/ or /z/, it is spelt as -s . If the ending sounds like /ɪz/ and forms an extra syllable or 'beat' in the word, it is spelt as -es .	cats, dogs, spends, rocks, thanks, catches
Adding the endings -ing , -ed and -er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word	<p>-ing and -er always add an extra syllable to the word and -ed sometimes does.</p> <p>The past tense of some verbs may sound as if it ends in /ɪd/ (extra syllable), /d/ or /t/ (no extra syllable), but all these endings are spelt -ed.</p> <p>If the verb ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the ending is simply added on.</p>	hunting, hunted, hunter, buzzing, buzzed, buzzer, jumping, jumped, jumper
Adding -er and -est to adjectives where no change is needed to the root word	As with verbs (see above), if the adjective ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the ending is simply added on.	grand er , grand est , fresh er , fresh est , quick er , quick est

Vowel digraphs and trigraphs

Some of these may already been known by Year 1 pupils, but will be revisited during the academic year to help reinforce them even further.

<i>Vowel digraphs and trigraphs</i>	<i>Rules and guidance</i>	<i>Example words</i>
ai, oi	The digraphs ai and oi are virtually never used at the end of English words.	rain, wait, train, paid, afraid oil, join, coin, point, soil
ay, oy	ay and oy are used for those sounds at the end of words and at the end of syllables.	day, play, say, way, stay boy, toy, enjoy, annoy
a-e		made, came, same, take, safe
e-e		these, theme, complete
i-e		five, ride, like, time, side
o-e		home, those, woke, hope, hole
u-e	Both the /u:/ and /ju:/ ('oo' and 'yoo') sounds can be spelt as u-e .	June, rule, rude, use, tube, tune
ar		car, start, park, arm, garden
ee		see, tree, green, meet, week
ea (/i:/)		sea, dream, meat, each, read (present tense)
ea (/ɛ/)		head, bread, meant, instead, read (past tense)
er (/ɜ:/)		(stressed sound): her, term, verb, person
er (/ə/)		(unstressed <i>schwa</i> sound): better, under, summer, winter, sister

<i>Vowel digraphs and trigraphs</i>	<i>Rules and guidance</i>	<i>Example words</i>
ir		girl, bird, shirt, first, third
ur		turn, hurt, church, burst, Thursday

<i>Vowel digraphs and trigraphs</i>	<i>Rules and guidance</i>	<i>Example words</i>
oo (/u:/)	Very few words end with the letters oo , although the few that do are often words that primary children in year 1 will encounter, for example, <i>zoo</i>	food, pool, moon, zoo, soon
oo (/ʊ/)		book, took, foot, wood, good
oa	The digraph oa is very rare at the end of an English word.	boat, coat, road, coach, goal
oe		toe, goes
ou	The only common English word ending in ou is <i>you</i> .	out, about, mouth, around, sound
ow (/aʊ/) ow (/əʊ/) ue ew	Both the /u:/ and /ju:/ ('oo' and 'yoo') sounds can be spelt as u-e , ue and ew . If words end in the /oo/ sound, ue and ew are more common spellings than oo .	now, how, brown, down, town own, blow, snow, grow, show blue, clue, true, rescue, Tuesday new, few, grew, flew, drew, threw
ie (/aɪ/)		lie, tie, pie, cried, tried, dried
ie (/i:/)		chief, field, thief

<i>Vowel digraphs and trigraphs</i>	<i>Rules and guidance</i>	<i>Example words</i>
igh		high, night, light, bright, right
or		for, short, born, horse, morning
ore		more, score, before, wore, shore
aw		saw, draw, yawn, crawl
au		author, August, dinosaur, astronaut
air		air, fair, pair, hair, chair
ear		dear, hear, beard, near, year
ear (/ɛə/)		bear, pear, wear
are (/ɛə/)		bare, dare, care, share, scared