Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn Term

English

Key Areas of learning for this term:

- Poetry- Everybody Has A Name
- Talk For Writing
- Story Telling

Sentence Level

- To write simple phrases
- Distinguish between a simple sentence and a fragment
- Identify the subject of a simple sentence
- Identify and write a past tense action verb
- Separation of words with spaces
- Introduction to capital letters and full stops to demarcate sentences
- Capital letters for the beginning of sentences

Books we will be exploring:

- A Letter from Your Teacher
- Our Class Our Family
- The Three Little Pigs
- The Everywhere Bear
- Tree
- Stickman

Things to remember each week this term:

Daily: water bottle, sun hat, sun cream, fruit snack, lunch, reading books and reading records.
Monday: 1JLP -P.E
Tuesday: 1SW-P.E
Wednesday:
Thursday:
Friday: P.E both classes - Reading books, Library Books and Reading records.

Maths

Key Areas of learning for this term:

- Place Value
- Addition/ Subtraction
- Problem Solving
- Financial Literacy/ Money
- Shape, position and direction
- Measure - Weight

Number Sense:

- Subitising 1-5/ 6-10 then Subitising on tens frames
- Make and break to 10
- Gap teaching and consolidation

Helping your Child at Home and at School

Read daily at home
Please complete your child's reading diary/log
Practice mental maths facts e.g. counting, times tables
Become a member of the Guille Alles Library - visit regularly
Support school open days, events and trips where possible

Help prepare them for a positive day ahead by:
Encouraging a calm start to the morning with a healthy breakfast
Arriving at school by 8.45am
Providing a healthy, nut free lunch and a fruit snack
Sending a full bottle of water every day
Ensuring your child gets a good night's sleep

Other Key Areas of Learning This Term:

Science

- Materials and Forces

History

- Changes in our Living Memory – Toys and Shops

Geography

- Our Island (The bridge) – Linked to Shops
- Parishes in Guernsey

DT

- Mechanisms moving pictures

Computing

- Algorithms, digital art and Project Evolve 1 and 2

Art

- Local Artist study- Rob Sweeny
- Collage
- Watercolours

Music

- Our Senses- Pulse, tempo, dynamics, timbre and rhythm

RE

- Hannukah and The Christmas Story

PSHE

- Health and wellbeing and Safety

PE

- Creative Teamwork and Fundamentals of confidence and character

Contacting Us

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Please note, staff are not expected to respond to Dojo messages before 8.30am and after 5.00pm.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding at Vale Primary School is our highest priority. If you should have any concerns about the wellbeing of a member of our school community, please ask to speak to one of our Safeguarding Officers or email vlp.office@education.gg



Mrs Eyton-Jones
DSL



Miss Mills
DDSL



Mrs Donnelly
DDSL



Mrs Le Prevost
DDSL

The school day starts at 8.45am. Please ensure all children are at school in enough time to be in their classrooms ready for 8.45am when the register is taken.

We are a Rights Respecting School

Did you know that under...

Article 27 every child has the right to food, clothing and a safe place to live

Article 28 every child has the right to an education





Welcome back to the Autumn term of the academic year 2026-2027.

Here are some key dates for this term:

September

- Mon 14th Sep – Fitzgeralds – individual photos
- Wed 16th Sep – PTA AGM @ 6pm – all welcome
- Mon 21st Sep – Fairtrade Fortnight begins
- Tues 29th Sep – Harvest Assembly

October

- Thurs 8Th Oct – Nasal Flu Vaccine
- Fri 9th Oct – PTA Ball @ Peninsula
- Tues 20th Oct – Parents evening 3.15 – 6.00pm
- Thurs 22nd Oct – Parents evening 3.15 – 6.00pm
- Fri 23rd Oct – Last day of term 3.00pm finish
- Mon 26th – Fri 30th Oct - Half term week

November

- Mon 2nd Nov – Term begins
- Fri 13th Nov – Children in Need
- Mon 16th Nov – Anti -Bullying week begins
- Fri 27th Nov – PTA Winter Fayre 5.30 – 7.30pm

December

- Mon 7th Dec – Year 1 Christmas Show @ 1.30pm
- Tues 8th Dec - Year 1 Christmas Show @ 1.30pm
- Wed 9th Dec – Year 2 Nativity @ 1.30pm
- Thurs 10th Dec – Year 2 Nativity @ 1.30pm
- Fri 11th Dec – Rec Christingle @ 10.00am
- Fri 11th Dec – Rec Christingle @ 1.30pm
- Mon 14th Dec – Y3/4 Christmas Show @ 1.30pm
- Tues 15th Dec – Y3/4 Christmas Show @ 1.30pm
- Wed 16th Dec – KS2 Christmas Parties **TBC**
- Thurs 17th Dec – Rec and KS1 Christmas Party
- Thurs 17th Dec – Yr 5/6 Carol Service St Stephens Church @1.30pm **TBC**
- Fri 18th Dec – Term Ends @ 1.00pm