

Term Dates

Monday 9th January	Lunch clubs start
Monday 16th January	Sport clubs start
Friday 27th January (9am)	Miss Saunder's class assembly
Wednesday 1st February (2.30pm)	Welcome Wednesday

February Half Term

Monday 13th February—Friday 17th February

Monday 20th February	Children return to school
Friday 3rd March	Mrs Thomas and Mrs Aldous' class assembly
Wednesday 8th March (2.30pm)	Welcome Wednesday
Monday 20th March (10am)	KS1 Dress Rehearsal Performance
Tuesday 21st March (10am)	KS1 morning production
Wednesday 22nd March (6pm)	KS1 evening production
Wednesday 29th March (3.30—6.00)	Parents Evening
Thursday 30th March (5.00-8.00)	Parents Evening

Easter Holiday

Monday 3rd April —Monday 17th April

Tuesday 18th April	PD Day—School closed to children
Wednesday 19th April	Children return to school

Abbot's Hall Community Primary School

Spring Term 2017

Parents' Curriculum Information

Year 1

At Abbot's Hall School, all are valued and challenged
in the pursuit of excellence.





Communication, Language and Literacy

Our topic for the first half of term is 'Toys' and will be learning about 'Incredible Animals' in the second half of term. With our literacy skills, we will be writing riddles, information texts, non chronological reports as well as developing our writing across longer and extended pieces of writing. We will continue to reinforce the 'non negotiables' of writing—full stops, capital letters and finger spaces as well as extending the children with other punctuation such as comas and exclamation marks. Children read in a guided or individual session once a week to practice reading, retelling and discussing stories. Please continue reading at home and using 'change it box' as often as you can.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In our PSHE learning, we will be looking at the theme of 'getting on and falling out'. We will be exploring how to be a good friend and also developing our skills to help deal with playtime problems and conflicts. We will also work on developing our team work skills. In our RE learning, we will be learning about Islam. We will be learning key facts about the religion such as places of worship, special customs, special books and important stories then we will think about things that are important to our own families.



Problem Solving, Reasoning and Numeracy

We will continue to build on our maths learning by practising adding and subtracting—sometimes in our heads and sometimes using a written method to help. We will also continue to apply our number skills in other areas as maths such as measuring, time and problem solving. On-going numeracy skills will also be taught in class and can be further developed at home using Mathletics. You may want to try some number activities at home such as:

- Using containers and pots and describing how much is inside e.g. full, half full, how many ml etc.
- Telling the time to the o'clock, half past and then further times.



Physical Development

This term in outdoor PE we are focusing on object control. We will be using a variety of different PE resources to develop our basic skills of throwing, catching bouncing and controlling objects. We will also use these skills in small group games to help us develop our teamwork and fair play skills. In indoor PE, we will be learning new gymnastic skills and learning how to make gymnastic shapes and then applying these to our routines. All children will need to have a full PE kit in school all week. Please ensure everything is clearly named. Earrings must be removed on PE days.



Knowledge and Understanding Of The World

Our main focus will be our history skills and learning about how life was different for other people. We will be learning about old toys and how they differ from their own as well as learning about a significant person in history linked to our 'Incredible Animals' topic. We will have a focus on e-safety during our computing learning and discuss ways of staying safe online. In science, we will be learning about animals, their needs and how we can look after them.



Creative Development

DT will be our main focus this term. We will be designing and making our own toy vehicle using wheels and axels. We will be exploring how to join details to our design and then the best ways of finishing off our project. We will also be using our art skills to design and make some other toys.

In the second half of the Spring term, the Year 1's will have the opportunity to develop their creative skills through our forest school sessions. They will be making 3D art work and exploring different materials. Please check upcoming letters for further information.