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YEAR 1 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW 2026/27
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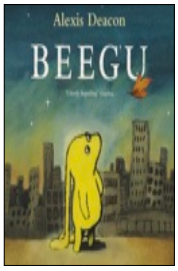
Year 1 Curriculum Map - Autumn Term (First Half-Term)

7 Week Half Term (Tuesday 1st September - Friday 16th October 2026)

Our Cultural Capital Curriculum

Our Core Value Theme for the Half-Term Each half-term is dedicated to one of our six DREAMS core values. Where possible, the whole-school SMSC themes compliment our core value focus.	**DETERMINATION**						
Overarching RSHE Theme This is the theme of this half-term's RSHE curriculum. RSHE is taught weekly, in every year group.	My healthy self: How can we look after our emotions?						
Whole-School SMSC Themes These are the focus for our weekly 'Cultural Capital' assemblies. The content introduces our children to a range of topics designed to develop their cultural capital and are explored through collective worship and homework.	**Week 1**	**Week 2**	**Week 3**	**Week 4**	**Week 5**	**Week 6**	**Week 7**
	Living our Core Values Our DREAMS Core Values (with a specific focus on Determination)	**Embedding our Behaviour Curriculum** Recap and changes to our expectations for the new year	**Understanding British Values** Democracy and Rule of Law	**Developing our SMSC** Sukkot	**Developing our SMSC** European Day of Languages	**Improving our Mental Health and Wellbeing** World Mental Heath Day	**Developing our SMSC** Black History
Keeping our Children Safe We teach pupils how to to stay safe, both in school and online through dedicated safeguarding sessions and the No Outsiders programme	**No Outsiders:** Elmer by David McKee - I like the way I am **Specialist Safety Sessions delivered by our Safeguarding Team** - Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour - Being Walton Wise: People Who Help, Support and Protect Us						
Cookery Celebration Events We enrich our Cultural Capital curriculum by providing exciting food technology lessons to supplement and support pupils' learning.							EYFS, Nest & KS1 Flo Melly's Spanish Day - National Day of Spain
Whole-School Celebration Days These are days that are celebrated as a whole-school.				21/09/26 Whole-School RE/World Religion Drop Down Day - Judaism (Afternoon)		09/10/26 Whole-School World Mental Heath Day celebration (Afternoon)	12/10/26 Flo Melly's Spanish Day - National Day of Spain (Full Day)

Our Core Curriculum

Core Text(s)		Reading	Writing	Maths	Science
		**Beegu by Alexis Deacon** Contemporary narrative picture book. Themes of loneliness, transition, isolation and friendship. **Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak** Classic picture book Themes of anger and frustration, time out and forgiveness.	**Strong Foundations** Write sentences Sequence sentences to form short narratives Use basic punctuation Join clauses with and	Numbers to 10 Additional and subtraction within 10 Shape and patterns Numbers to 20 Addition and subtraction within 20	Seasonal changes and daily weather
Beegu by Alexis Deacon	Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak				

Our Broad and Balanced Curriculum

Geography	Wonderful Walton - What is it like here?
History	Making History - How can I make history?
Art and Design	Drawing - Pencils at the Ready - Van Gogh
Design Technology	Mechanisms - Sliders - How can you make a picture move?
Religious Education	How did the World begin?
Physical Education	Team Games - Throwing and Catching - essential Skills
Computing	Basic computing skills - Pupils learn how to log in and shut down a computer accurately and begin to understand the importance of a password.
Music	Senses

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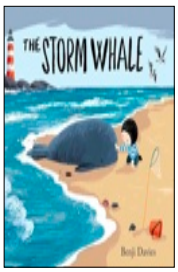
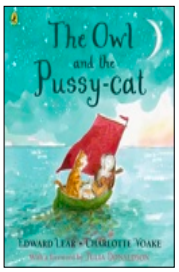
Year 1 Curriculum Map - Autumn Term (Second Half-Term)

7 Week Half Term (Monday 2nd November - Friday 18th December 2026)

Our Cultural Capital Curriculum

Our Core Value Theme for the Half-Term Each half-term is dedicated to one of our six DREAMS core values. Where possible, the whole-school SMSC themes compliment our core value focus.	**RESPECT**						
Overarching RSHE Theme This is the theme of this half-term's RSHE curriculum. RSHE is taught weekly, in every year group.	Connecting with others: How can I help myself and others feel happy and safe?						
	Week 1	**Week 2**	**Week 3**	**Week 4**	**Week 5**	**Week 6**	**Week 7**
Whole-School SMSC Themes These are the focus for our weekly 'Cultural Capital' assemblies. The content introduces our children to a range of topics designed to develop their cultural capital and are explored through collective worship and homework.	**Living our Core Values** Our DREAMS Core Values (with a specific focus on Respect)	**Developing our SMSC** Remembrance	**Improving our Mental Health and Wellbeing** Anti-Bullying Week - Break the Silence!	**Understanding British Values** Individual Liberty (linked to UK Parliament Week)	**Embedding our Behaviour Curriculum** Focus TBC	**Developing our SMSC** Bodhi Day (Rohatsu)	**Developing our SMSC** Christmas Around the World
Keeping our Children Safe We teach pupils how to to stay safe, both in school and online through dedicated safeguarding sessions and the No Outsiders programme	**No Outsiders:** Going to the Volcano by Andy Stanton - To join in **Specialist Safety Sessions delivered by our Safeguarding Team** - Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour - Being Walton Wise: People Who Help, Support and Protect Us						
Cookery Celebration Events We enrich our Cultural Capital curriculum by providing exciting food technology lessons to supplement and support pupils' learning.				Year 1 Breakfast with a Book			
Whole-School Celebration Days These are days that are celebrated as a whole-school.		13/11/26 Whole-School World Kindness Day (Afternoon)				07/12/26 Whole-School RE/World Religion Drop Down Day - Buddhism (Afternoon)	

Our Core Curriculum

Core Text(s)		Reading	Writing	Maths	Science
		**The Storm Whale by Benji Davies** Contemporary narrative picture book. Themes of loneliness, caring for animals, kindness and working parents. **The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear** Heritage poem and seminal poet. Archaic language and nonsense words.	**Strong Foundations** Write sentences Sequence sentences to form short narratives Use basic punctuation Join clauses with and	Numbers to 10 Additional and subtraction within 10 Shape and patterns Numbers to 20 Addition and subtraction within 20	Animals, including humans
The Storm Whale by Benji Davies	The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear				

Our Broad and Balanced Curriculum

Geography	Wonderful Walton - What is it like here?
History	Making History - How can I make history?
Art and Design	Drawing - Pencils at the Ready - Van Gogh
Design Technology	Mechanisms - How can you make a picture move?
Religious Education	What do some people believe Good looks like?
Physical Education	Gymnastics - Technique and Control
Computing	Using text-based programs to process and format text and images - Pupils learn how to use a word processing program to write and format text. They add digital images and consider the audience for their work.
Music	Senses

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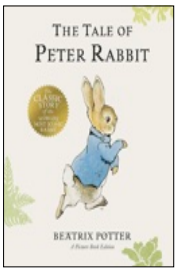
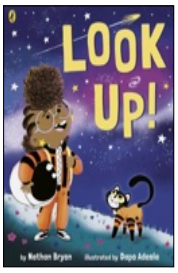
Year 1 Curriculum Map - Spring Term (First Half-Term)

6 Week Half Term (Monday 4th January - Friday 12th February 2027)

Our Cultural Capital Curriculum

Our Core Value Theme for the Half-Term Each half-term is dedicated to one of our six DREAMS core values. Where possible, the whole-school SMSC themes compliment our core value focus.	**EMPOWERMENT**					
Overarching RSHE Theme This is the theme of this half-term's RSHE curriculum. RSHE is taught weekly, in every year group.	The online world: How do we spend time online?					
	Week 1	**Week 2**	**Week 3**	**Week 4**	**Week 5**	**Week 6**
Whole-School SMSC Themes These are the focus for our weekly 'Cultural Capital' assemblies. The content introduces our children to a range of topics designed to develop their cultural capital and are explored through collective worship and homework.	**Living our Core Values** Our DREAMS Core Values (with a specific focus on Empowerment)	**Embedding our Behaviour Curriculum** Focus TBC	**Developing our SMSC** World Religion Day	**Understanding British Values** Tolerance (exploring Holocaust Memorial Day)	**Improving our Mental Health and Wellbeing** Children's Mental Health Week	**Developing our SMSC** Chinese/Lunar New Year
Keeping our Children Safe We teach pupils how to to stay safe, both in school and online through dedicated safeguarding sessions and the No Outsiders programme	**No Outsiders:** Want to Play Trucks? by Ann Stott - To find ways to play together **Specialist Safety Sessions delivered by our Safeguarding Team** - Preventing and Protecting Against Exploitation - Being Walton Wise: Pants, Pants, Pantasaurus (NSPCC resource)					
Cookery Celebration Events We enrich our Cultural Capital curriculum by providing exciting food technology lessons to supplement and support pupils' learning.						
Whole-School Celebration Days These are days that are celebrated as a whole-school.			18/01/27 Whole-School RE/ World Religion Drop Down Day - Christianity (Afternoon)		05/02/27 Whole-School Children's Mental Health Week Celebration (Afternoon)	

Our Core Curriculum

Core Text(s)		Reading	Writing	Maths	Science
		**The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter** Heritage text by a seminal female author. Archaic language and anthropomorphism. Themes of theft, animal cruelty and trespassing. **Look Up! By Nathan Bryon** Contemporary narrative picture book. Female black protagonist who aspires to be an astronaut with reference to Mae Jemison. Themes of family, siblings, self-doubt and enthusiasm.	**Strong Foundations** Write sentences Sequence sentences to form short narratives Use basic punctuation Join clauses with and	Time Exploring calculation strategies within 20 Numbers to 50 Addition and subtraction within 20 Fractions Measures: length and mass	Everyday Materials
The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter	Look Up! By Nathan Bryon				

Our Broad and Balanced Curriculum

Geography	The Great British Weather - What is the weather like in the UK?
History	Amazing Explorers - How have explorers changed the world?
Art and Design	Painting - Flower Power - Georgia O'Keeffe
Design Technology	Structures - How can you stop a tower from toppling?
Religious Education	What is God's job?
Physical Education	Dance - Balance and Movement
Computing	Unplugged algorithms - Pupils learn what an unplugged algorithm is and create and apply them to an on-screen program.
Music	Fantasy and Adventure

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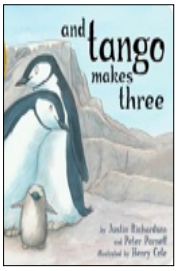
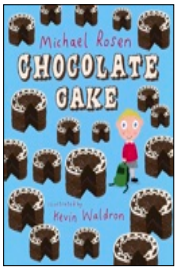
Year 1 Curriculum Map - Spring Term (Second Half-Term)

5 Week Half Term (Monday 22nd February - Thursday 25th March 2027)

Our Cultural Capital Curriculum

Our Core Value Theme for the Half-Term Each half-term is dedicated to one of our six DREAMS core values. Where possible, the whole-school SMSC themes compliment our core value focus.	**APPRECIATION**				
Overarching RSHE Theme This is the theme of this half-term's RSHE curriculum. RSHE is taught weekly, in every year group.	Citizenship: How can I help others and the environment?				
	Week 1	**Week 2**	**Week 3**	**Week 4**	**Week 5**
Whole-School SMSC Themes These are the focus for our weekly 'Cultural Capital' assemblies. The content introduces our children to a range of topics designed to develop their cultural capital and are explored through collective worship and homework.	**Living our Core Values** Our DREAMS Core Values (with a specific focus on Empowerment)	**Embedding our Behaviour Curriculum** Focus TBC	**Developing our SMSC** World Religion Day	**Understanding British Values** Tolerance (exploring Holocaust Memorial Day)	**Improving our Mental Health and Wellbeing** Children's Mental Health Week
Keeping our Children Safe We teach pupils how to to stay safe, both in school and online through dedicated safeguarding sessions and the No Outsiders programme	**No Outsiders:** Hair, It's a Family Affair by Myla Freeman - Proud to be me **Specialist Safety Sessions delivered by our Safeguarding Team** - Preventing and Protecting Against Exploitation - Being Walton Wise: Pants, Pants, Pantasaurus (NSPCC resource)				
Cookery Celebration Events We enrich our Cultural Capital curriculum by providing exciting food technology lessons to supplement and support pupils' learning.				Year 1 Liverpool Food Heritage - Superlambanana Banana Muffins	
Whole-School Celebration Days These are days that are celebrated as a whole-school.		04/03/27 KS2 Careers Fair in celebration of National Careers Week 2027		Whole-School British Science Week (Change and Adapt)	22/03/27 Whole-School RE/World Religion Drop Down Day - Holi - Festival of Colours, Love and Spring - Hinduism (Afternoon)

Our Core Curriculum

Core Text(s)		Reading	Writing	Maths	Science
		**and Tango makes three by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell** Contemporary narrative picture book and information text. Themes of same sex parents, adoption, blended families, kindness and tolerance. **Chocolate Cake by Michael Rosen** Humorous contemporary poem. Themes of temptation, over-indulgence and forgiveness.	**Strong Foundations** Write sentences Sequence sentences to form short narratives Use basic punctuation Join clauses with and	Time Exploring calculation strategies within 20 Numbers to 50 Addition and subtraction within 20 Fractions Measures: length and mass	Everyday Materials
and Tango makes three by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell	Chocolate Cake by Michael Rosen				

Our Broad and Balanced Curriculum

Geography	The Great British Weather - What is the weather like in the UK?
History	Amazing Explorers - How have explorers changed the world?
Art and Design	Painting - Flower Power - Georgia O'Keeffe
Design Technology	Structures - How can you stop a tower from toppling?
Religious Education	Why should we care for the world?
Physical Education	Striking and Fielding - Batting, Catching and Throwing - Essential Skills
Computing	Programming, coding and robotics - Pupils explore how to control both physical and virtual robots with a sequence of commands.
Music	Fantasy and Adventure

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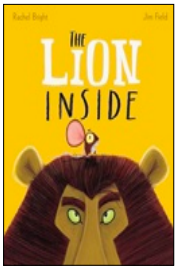
Year 1 Curriculum Map - Summer Term (First Half-Term)

7 Week Half Term (Monday 12th April - Friday 28th May 2027)

Our Cultural Capital Curriculum

Our Core Value Theme for the Half-Term Each half-term is dedicated to one of our six DREAMS core values. Where possible, the whole-school SMSC themes compliment our core value focus.	**MOTIVATION**						
Overarching RSHE Theme This is the theme of this half-term's RSHE curriculum. RSHE is taught weekly, in every year group.	Connecting with others: How can I help myself and others feel happy and safe?						
	Week 1	**Week 2**	**Week 3**	**Week 4**	**Week 5**	**Week 6**	**Week 7**
Whole-School SMSC Themes These are the focus for our weekly 'Cultural Capital' assemblies. The content introduces our children to a range of topics designed to develop their cultural capital and are explored through collective worship and homework.	**Living our Core Values** Our DREAMS Core Values (with a specific focus on Motivation)	**Developing our SMSC** Eco Week (linked to Earth Day)	**Developing our SMSC** Passover	**Embedding our Behaviour Curriculum** Focus TBC	**Improving our Mental Health and Wellbeing** Mental Health Awareness Week	**Developing our SMSC** World Day for Cultural Diversity	**Developing our SMSC** World Hunger Day
Keeping our Children Safe We teach pupils how to to stay safe, both in school and online through dedicated safeguarding sessions and the No Outsiders programme	**No Outsiders:** My World Your World by Melanie Walsh - I share the world with lots of people **Specialist Safety Sessions delivered by our Safeguarding Team** - Rights, Rules & Responsibilities - Being Walton Wise: Choices and Consequences						
Cookery Celebration Events We enrich our Cultural Capital curriculum by providing exciting food technology lessons to supplement and support pupils' learning.			Year 1 Chocolate Cake - Linked to the poem - Chocolate Cake		Family Workshop International Day of Families		
Whole-School Celebration Days These are days that are celebrated as a whole-school.	14/04/27 Whole-School RE/World Religion Drop Down Day - Sikhism - (Afternoon)	Whole-School Eco Week Celebrations					

Our Core Curriculum

Core Text(s)		Reading	Writing	Maths	Science
		**Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers** Contemporary narrative picture book. Guide to understanding our place in the world. Themes of kindness, tolerance and environmental responsibility. **The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright** Contemporary rhyming narrative poem, highlighting the differences in how we make our voices heard. Themes of courage, self-confidence and friendship.	**Strong Foundations** Write sentences Sequence sentences to form short narratives Use basic punctuation Join clauses with and	Numbers to 50 and 100 Addition and subtraction Money Multiplication and division Measures: capacity and volume	Plants
There's a Rang-Tan in My Bedroom by James Sellick	Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers				

Our Broad and Balanced Curriculum

Geography	A City Far Away - What is it like to live in Shanghai?
History	My Liverpool Home: Past vs Present - How has Walton changed over time?
Art and Design	Textiles - Weave Away - Anni Albers
Design Technology	Understanding Materials - Why are different materials used for different purposes?
Religious Education	Ho0w do we know that new babies are special?
Physical Education	Athletics - Running, Jumping and Throwing - Essential Skills
Computing	Data collection and representation using Pictograms - Pupils explore how to transfer physical data from a tally chart into a digital pictogram. They compare the difference with creating a physical pictogram.
Music	Liverpool's Music Culture - Liverpool's Street Sounds

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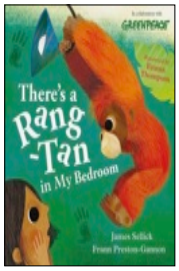
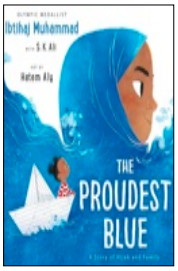
Year 1 Curriculum Map - Summer Term (Second Half-Term)

7 Week Half Term (Monday 7th June - Wednesday 21st July 2027)

Our Cultural Capital Curriculum

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Overarching RSHE Theme This is the theme of this half-term's RSHE curriculum. RSHE is taught weekly, in every year group.	Staying safe: How can I stay safe?						
Whole-School SMSC Themes These are the focus for our weekly 'Cultural Capital' assemblies. The content introduces our children to a range of topics designed to develop their cultural capital and are explored through collective worship and homework.	**Week 1**	**Week 2**	**Week 3**	**Week 4**	**Week 5**	**Week 6**	**Week 7**
	Living our Core Values Our DREAMS Core Values (with a specific focus on Safety)	**Developing our SMSC** LGBTQ+ Pride Month	**Developing our SMSC** School Sport Week	**Developing our SMSC** World Social Media Day	**Embedding our Behaviour Curriculum** Focus TBC	**Developing our SMSC** World Youth Skills Day	**Improving our Mental Health and Wellbeing** Samaritans Awareness Day
Keeping our Children Safe We teach pupils how to to stay safe, both in school and online through dedicated safeguarding sessions and the No Outsiders programme	**No Outsiders:** Errol's Garden by Gillian Hibbs - To work together **Specialist Safety Sessions delivered by our Safeguarding Team** - Rights, Rules & Responsibilities - Being Walton Wise: Choices and Consequences						
Cookery Celebration Events We enrich our Cultural Capital curriculum by providing exciting food technology lessons to supplement and support pupils' learning.			Whole-School National Sports Week			Students of the Year - Afternoon Treat	School Nutrition Action Group
Whole-School Celebration Days These are days that are celebrated as a whole-school.		05/07/27 Whole-School RE/ World Religion Drop Down Day - Islam - (Afternoon)	Whole-School Charlie Lowe Sports Day/School Sports Week			15/07/27 Whole-School Skills for Life Drop Down Day	

Our Core Curriculum

Core Text(s)		Reading	Writing	Maths	Science
		**There's a Rang-Tan in My Bedroom by James Sellick** Contemporary narrative picture book and information text with a female protagonist. Themes of deforestation and endangered species. **The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad** Contemporary narrative picture book with a female, Muslim protagonist and author. Themes of difference, inclusion, courage, faith, family and resilience.	**Strong Foundations** Write sentences Sequence sentences to form short narratives Use basic punctuation Join clauses with and	Numbers to 50 and 100 Addition and subtraction Money Multiplication and division Measures: capacity and volume	Revisit: Plants and Animals, including humans
The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright	The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad				

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Geography	A City Far Away - What is it like to live in Shanghai?
History	My Liverpool Home: Past vs Present - How has Walton changed over time?
Art and Design	Textiles - Weave Away - Anni Albers
Design Technology	Understanding Materials - Why are different materials used for different purposes?
Religious Education	Why should we care for others?
Physical Education	Net and Wall Games - Racket and Ball - Essential Skills
Computing	Presenting information - Pupils consider a variety of ways to present cross-curricular information digitally, and compare the advantages and disadvantages with paper-based content.
Music	Liverpool's Music Culture - Liverpool's Street Sounds