



Grasmere Primary School

Class Information for Parents / Carers

Date: December 2026 Teacher: Meryem Class: Year 1

A message from your child's teacher:

We will be looking at lots of different topics over this Spring term such as women from the past and our local history. This term we will also have our creativity week across the Federation where we will learn about different artists and recreate a piece of artwork. We will continue to have Jasmine working with us in the Year 1 class. I am looking forward to the year ahead and the great progress the children will continue to make.

English— This term we will be looking at the poem The Owl and the Pussy and the Magical Yeti and Beegu. These are lovely stories that your child might have come across before. Through these stories we will be looking at speech bubbles and how to write a postcard. We will also be developing the skill of talk for writing. Being able to tell a story so that we can then write it. We will look at the use of and, but and so in sentences. We will continue to develop our understanding of capital letters and full stops. We will work on using exclamation marks and questions in sentences.

You can help your child at home by: Continue to practise spelling at home and simple sentences that have a capital letter and full stop. Sharing stories and reading regularly with your child will also help their English work in lessons and continue to help them make progress with their reading.

Maths— This term children will be working on addition and subtraction within 20. They will use various strategies and resources to build their confidence and understanding of these calculations. Part of the strategies they will be learning is near doubles and recognise when this can be used. Key to their learning will be using their number bonds to 10. These are the pairs of numbers that equal 10. Children will continue to work on their maths fluency and this involves confidently counting up to fifty and backwards up and down the number system. In Spring term 2 children will look at comparing length, mass and capacity and developing their vocabulary around this part of the Maths curriculum.

You can help your child at home by: Make sure your child is happy and confident with their number bonds. If I show you four fingers how many fingers do, we need to add to make 10? Cook something that needs to be weighed or measured, discuss the vocabulary involved in measuring.

Topic— For Spring term 1 we will be looking at maps and our local area as part of a Geography unit of work. Children will be able to recognise familiar places and key buildings in our local area. We will work on discussing human features and physical features and how to identify them. For Spring 2 we will be working on a History unit on women from the past. I really enjoyed teaching this unit of work and am looking forward to sharing this with the class. We look at lots of significant women from the past and the contributions they have made. We will be covering an R.E. unit on Hinduism.

You can help at home: Look at maps together and discuss what they show you. While walking round the local area discuss what you see. How do we find our way around our local or our way to school and from school.

PE

It is very important that all children have a complete change of clothes for PE, for safety and hygiene including trainers or plimsolls. Please provide your child with a hair band if they long hair and ensure they do not wear any jewellery. **Your Child's P.E lesson is on Tuesday and Gymnastic on Wednesday**

School starts promptly at 9.00am and ends at 3.30pm.
Please inform the school if your child is sick.