



YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2026



Staff

Miss Threlfall - Class Teacher
Everyday

Mr Johns- Class Teacher
PPA cover–Wednesday mornings

Mrs Talbot - Teaching Assistant
Everyday

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break with family and friends. We're looking forward to a term full of fun and learning. I will also be planning the first of our trips!

Just a few reminders ...

Entering and exiting school: The doors at the top of the steps will be opened and a staff member present from 8.50am. Children can then enter school. Doors will be closed at 8.55 when all children should be settled in school ready for registration. If you are late, please go to the office– please don't try to open the automated doors. At the end of the day, children will be dismissed from the same door. We will look for a family member before releasing them. If your child has an unavoidable medical appointment during the school day, please let the office know. Please also let them know of any absences.

Please ensure all items of uniform, coats, water bottles etc are clearly named so they can be reunited with their owner easily.

It is school policy that only plain water can be brought in water bottles– no juice or fizzy drinks please.

Children should only bring a book bag please– the ones that were given at the start of Reception– no rucksacks as we do not have the space to store these.

Do keep an eye on the school newsletter that is emailed every Friday. On it there are details of upcoming events, news and information.

Please contact the office if you need to get in touch with me for any reason and I will get back to you as soon as possible if needed. Keep a look out on social media for photos of our learning too!

Many thanks,
Miss Threlfall and the Year One team x

Year 1



PE Days

Tuesday and Wednesday

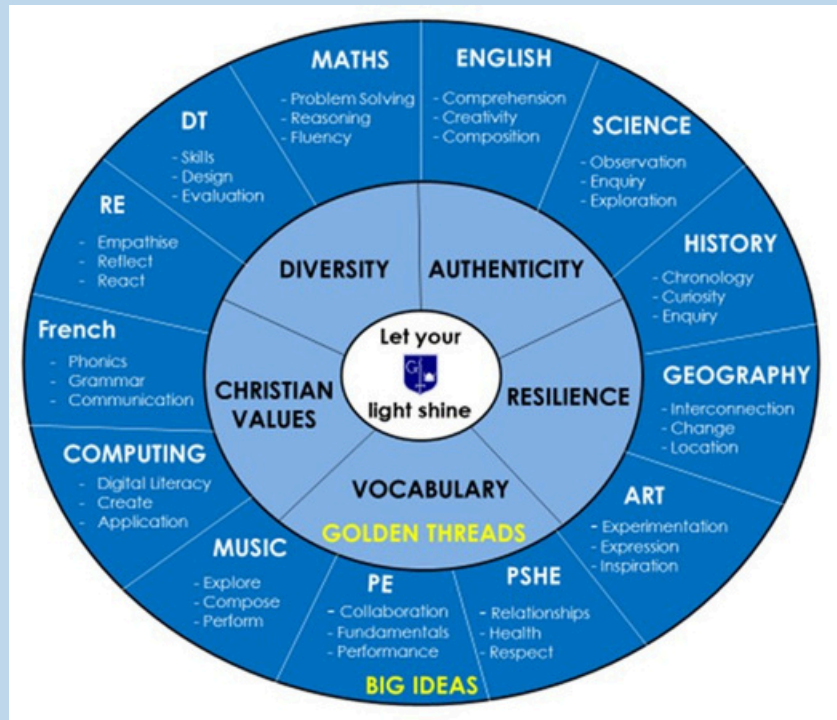


Our Curriculum

At Grimsargh St. Michael's, we have our five 'goldentreads' that underpin our teaching and learning culture.

For each curriculum area, we then have three 'big ideas'.

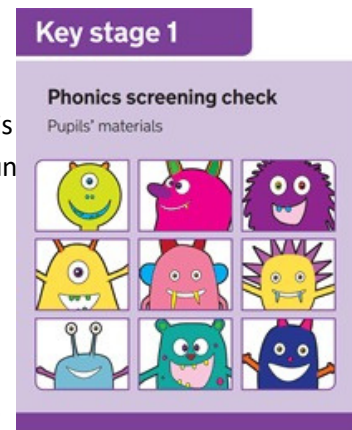
This image shows how these work together to give our children a well rounded and authentic curriculum to create resilient and enthusiastic learners. Please have a look at our website to learn more about each of our subjects- <https://www.grimsargh-st-michaels.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum-home/>



PHONICS SCREENING CHECK

In Year One, all children take part in the Phonics Screening Check. This will be in June 2026 and we will give you lots of information in the run up to the date.

If you would like to familiarise yourself further with what the screening involves, please have a look at this link- https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1164731/Information_for_parents_-_2023_phonics_screening_check.pdf



MATHS

Number
Addition and subtraction
within 20
Place Value within 50
Multiplication and Division
Measurement
Length and Height Weight
and Volume

PHONICS

We will continue to work
through Phase 5 following
the Red Rose Letters and
Sounds scheme.

Children who are not yet
secure at the current phase
will receive intervention
support.

ENGLISH

Poems on a theme
Range of non-fiction texts
Traditional Tales
Non-Chronological Reports
Classic stories
Instructions
Recounts

PE

Rolling a ball Dance– Fire, Fire!,
Travel
Catching and bouncing a ball
Gymnastics 2

LEARNING



MUSIC

Sound patterns

Pitch

HISTORY

Events beyond living memory that are significant nation-
ally or globally. The Great Fire of London.
Changes within living memory. The history of toys in my
family (finish)

GEOGRAPHY

United Kingdom

What is the United Kingdom
and where are we within it?

SCIENCE

Planting A & B Animals
Caring for the planet.
Seasonal changes- Spring

RE

Christmas (finish)
Jesus was Special
Easter

LEARNING



COMPUTING

Maze Explorers
Pictograms
Online Safety:
Managing online Information
Health, wellbeing and lifestyle
Privacy and security

ART

Sculpture and 3D- paper play

PSHE

Keeping safe
Rights and respect

DT

Textiles- puppets

HOME LEARNING

(logins inside reading diaries)

Mathletics - will be set weekly. This either links to the learning set in class or a recap from previous learning. Please help support your children by making this part of your home routine.

Purple Mash- I will set tasks on Purple Mash for children to practise their skills at home if relevant to our learning. In school, the children mainly use a laptop so it would be useful if they are able to do the same at home (rather than an iPad/phone)

READING

Reading will always be of great importance in all learning. In class we are constantly reading whether it is TRIC (Teacher Reading in Class), Guided Reading, English lessons or 1:1 (to name a few).

The staff talk to the children often about reading at home to help with their fluency, understanding of a text and to simply escape into a good book!

Please ensure you are reading with your child at least three times a week. Give the children 10 minutes of your time, each night, to showcase their skills and wow you!

If you could then write in your child's diary we can celebrate their hard work.

We are always looking for anyone to support our learning. If you have a keen interest or experience in any of our future areas of learning, please let me know and I can incorporate a visit or any information you may have.

Please keep your eye on social media platforms, school website and seesaw for information and photos that support and showcase the learning across school.



SOCIAL MEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels'
on Instagram

'Grimsargh St Michael's C of E
Primary School' on Facebook.

UNIFORM

As a school we are constantly ensuring high standards across school life.

It is really important for children to wear the correct uniform and that their PE kits are in school ready for use as occasionally PE days can change.

Please see our website for more details: <https://www.grimsargh-st-michaels.lancs.sch.uk/policies/>



DIARY DATES

JANUARY

Monday 19th– Extra curricular clubs begin

FEBRUARY

9th - 13th - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 10th– Safer Internet Day

Friday 13th- School closes for half term

Monday 23rd- School opens

MARCH

Tuesday 3rd /Wednesday 4th- Parent/Carer Evenings

Thursday 5th- World Book Day

Monday 9th- Friday 13th- Science Week

Friday 13th – Last day for extra curricular clubs

Friday 27th- School closes for Easter holidays

Please keep an eye on the newsletter as new dates and events are added regularly.