

Meet the Staff



Mr Jones
Teacher



Mrs Bleakley
Teaching Assistant





Our Typical Week

	8.30-8.45am	8.45-9.00am	9.00-9.30am	9.30-10.25am	10-25-10.40	10.40-11.00	11.00-11.50	11.45- 12.00 (KS1 Playti me)	12.00-1.00	1.00-1.10	1.10-1.55	1.55-2.05	2.05-3.00	3.00-3.10	3.10
Monday	Register/ Check ins Daily Readers	Assembly Reading Groups		Maths Maths		Handwriting Phonics Catch Up	English				Science	_	Science		
Tuesday	Register/ Check ins Daily Readers	Assembly Reading Groups			P L A Y T I M E A N D D S	Handwriting Precision Teaching Phonics Catch Up	English			c	History		History	P R E	
Wednesday PPA DAY	Register/ Check ins Daily Readers	Assembly Reading Groups	PHONICS	Maths		Handwriting Precision Teaching English Phonics Catch Up	WRITING INTEXPORTION	L UN C H T I M E	U S N S C S H R T E	RE	P L A Y T I M E	GAMES	P H O F M O E T I H M O E M E		
Thursday	Register/ Check ins Daily Readers	Assembly Reading Groups		S.P.a.G.	Handwriting Precision Teaching Phonics Catch Up	English				PE		MUSIC/ PSHE			
Friday	Register/ Check ins Daily Readers	Spelling Test			Feedback Friday Precision Teaching Phonics Cotch Up	Maths				Computing		2:05pm Assembly 2:30pm Whole School Golden Time			



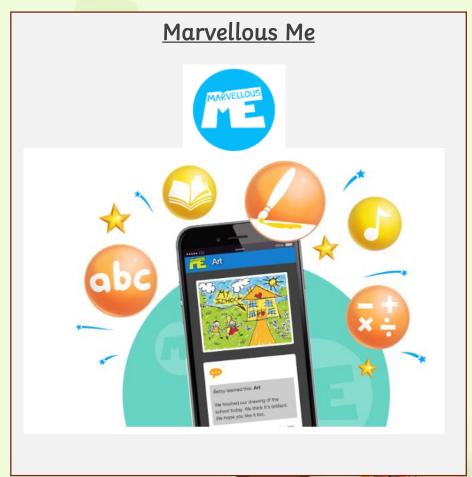




What is my child learning?

Curriculum Timetable

Year 1 Autumn 1	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Session 6	
History Changes in living memory (within 100 years)	What toys do we play with today?	What toys did our grandparents play with and how do we know?	How is my teddy different to the very first teddy?	How have toys changed over time?	How has entertainment and communication changed over time?	How have our homes changed over time?	
Geography The UK (Weather)	What is the UK? Which countries are part of the UK?	What are the capital cities of the UK?	What is life like in a capital city (London)? How do people move around London? What are the landmarks of London (Compass directions)?	What is life like in a capital city (London)? How do people move around London? What are the landmarks of London (Compass directions)?	What seas surround the UK?	What might you see at the seaside?	
Science Animals inc Humans	Observing Animals Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. Identifying and classifying. To identify and name some common animals.	Comparing Animals Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including pets). Identifying and classifying. To describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals.	Animal Diets Identify and name a variety of common animals that are camisores, herbisores and omnisores. Identifying and classifying. To identify, name and sort animals that are herbisores, camisores and omnisores.	The Human Body Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body. • To name and label the parts of the human body	Senses Say which part of the body is associated with each sense. To perform simple tests. • To name the five senses and to perform simple tests to find out more about them.	Sorting Animals Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including pets). Identifying and classifying. To sort animals according to a criteria.	
Computing ONLINE SAFETY/ Grouping, and Sorting	Safe • To log in safety and understand why that Logiss is important. *To create an austra and to understand what this is and how it is used. *To be able to create a picture and add their own name to it. *To start to understand the idea of 'lownership' of creative work. *To save work to the My Work are and understand that this is private space.	My To learn how to find saved work in the Online Work area. Area To learn about what the teacher has access to in Pupile Mash. To learn how to see messages left by the teacher on their work. To learn how to search Pupile Mash to find resources.	Purple To become familiar with the types of resources available in the Topics section. Topics Topics To become more familiar with the icons used in the resources in the Topics section. To start to add pictures and text to work.	Purple Mash Tools	Sorting Awayfrom the Computer To sort items using a range of criteria.	Sorting on To sort items on the computer using the 'Circuping' activities in Purple Mash.	
RE <u>Values and</u> <u>Commitments</u>	How do people show they care?	How to faith communities show they care? Sikhism (5K's), Gudwara – Langar	Why do believers care for others? Prashad (Gudwara) – Sikhism	Who do you care for?	Be My Guest (Islam)	The Good Samaritan (Christianity)	
PSHE/RSE Citizenship Links to BV	Rules in school and at home	Caring for others: animals	The need of others	Similar, yet different	Belonging	Democratic decisions	





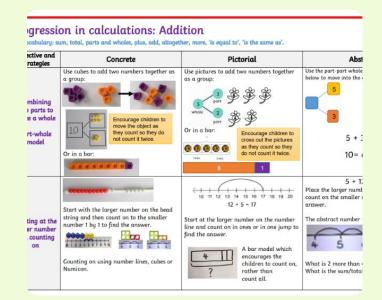


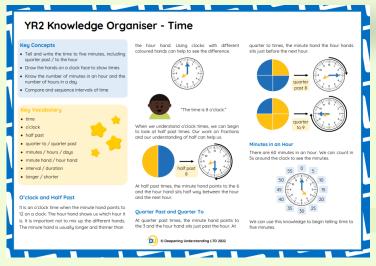
Maths



White Rose Videos – access at home to support learning







Calculation Policy/ Knowledge Organisers – available on school website to support Maths



Maths







Expectation – Year 2 (2, 5, 10) Year 3 (3, 4, 8) Year 4 (6, 7, 9, 11, 12)



Optional.

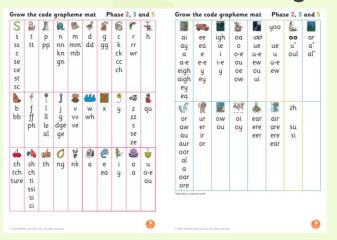




Phonics



- Systematic synthetic phonics programme validated by Department for Education.
- Phonics sessions take place every day in school with a trained Little Wandle Teacher or Teaching Assistant.
- Most children will now be secure with Phase 2, 3 and 4. There is one more phase children need to be taught before the end of Year 1.
- Children will take the statutory Phonics Screening Check in June 2024.







We have slightly adapted the Little Wandle rhymes. Please refer to school website for school rhymes.

Year 1 Reading

Reading Vipers

Vocabulary

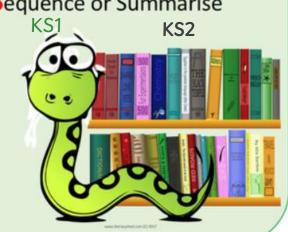
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Predict

Explain

Retrieve

Sequence or Summarise



- Reading Sessions (phonics) Three times a week
- Books are carefully matched to children's secure phonic knowledge and word reading.
- When children take the book home to read, they should be 90% fluency. Please do not worry that the book is too easy it needs to develop fluency and confidence in reading.
- Phonics books will be changed every week. Books should be in school every day. Please record any reading on Boom Reader (minimum once a week)
- Children will have the opportunity to go to the school library weekly. Please log reading on Boom Reader.

Decoding

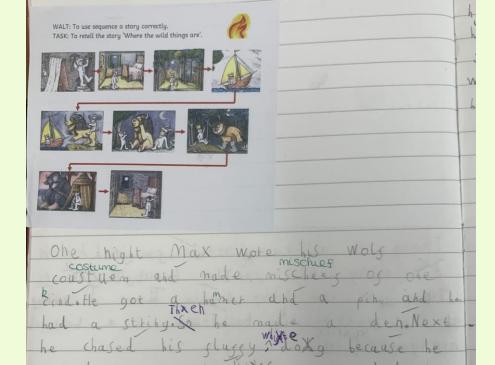
Prosody (intonation/ expression)

Comprehension









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Year 1 Word List Spelling Test National Curriculum

the	you	where		
α	your	love		
do	they	come		
to	be	some		
today	he	one		
of	me	once		
said	she	ask		
says	we	friend		
are	no	school		
were	go	put		
was	so	push		
is	by	pull		
his	my	full		
has	here	house		
I	there	our		

English



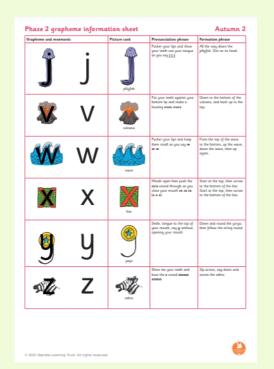


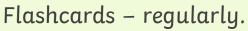
English

10 minutes per day: Write comments on Boom Reader.



Little Wandle Home Learning







Tested every week.





PE/ Games Health and Safety (including clubs)

Participation

All pupils are expected to participate in PE/ Games lessons.

Alternative tasks if there is an injury or illness (agreed by Headteacher).

PE/ Games Kit

Please ensure children have correct kit.

<u>Jewellery</u>

All jewellery including earrings must be removed.

Religious artefacts need to be removed or made safe.

Forest School

Children will participate in Forest School for one half term throughout the year.

Hair and Nails

Long hair should always be tied back. Nails need to be sufficiently short to prevent injury to self and others.

Watches

All watches (including fitness watches and wristbands monitoring activity) should be removed for all PE lessons, clubs and activities.





Homework

- As of next year, we will be sending Homework home weekly.
- This will be sent home in a Homework book.
- It will alternate between a piece of maths and a piece of English each week.
- In Year 1, we will be sending home letter formation work as part of our English.







PSHEe/ RSE

- Relationships and Health Education is a <u>compulsory</u> part of <u>every school's</u> curriculum including:
 - Relationships
 - Physical health and mental wellbeing

- Relationships and Health Education will be covered through our Personal, Social, Health and Economic education (PSHEe) lessons which are taught weekly.
- A letter will be sent to parents before any sensitive issues are discussed so parents are fully aware when a particular subject is being taught including key vocabulary.







Behaviour Policy







Safeguarding Leads

At Birches First School the safety of our children is of upmost importance. It is everyone's responsibility to safeguard our children but speak to one of the people below if you have concerns.



Miss Varricchione

Headteacher

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Miss Hulme

Year 2 Teacher/ Assistant Headteacher

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs E Buckley

EYFS Leader/ Reception

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Banks

Club Manager/ Year 3 TA

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead





Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium funding is allocated to schools to support children and remove barriers to educational achievement. Schools receive funding for;

- each child registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years.
- each pupil who is in local-authority care or has left local-authority care because of 1 of the following:
 - adoption
 - a special guardianship order
 - a child arrangements order
 - a residence order
- children with a parent who has served in the armed forces at any point in the last 4 years.

Please speak to Miss Varricchione if you feel your child may be eligible.

It really can make a difference!



General Information

- Snacks healthy lunchboxes please. Children may bring snack at breaktime (healthy snack no boxes please)
- First aid please ensure all medication is signed in at the office (4 times a day only).
- Eleck pupil record update with any changes.
- Attendance below 90% persistent absence. Please ensure children are on time everyday. Please do not arrange medical and dental appointments in school time, wherever possible.
- Remember you are automatically a member of the PFA. Please join us for meetings or help at any fundraising events. It helps your children!
- Please take care when travelling to and from school, and park in a safe and considerate place.



Any Questions?

Communication

- Mid-Year Report
- End of Year Report
- Parents' Evening Appointments
- School website Letters, Newsletters, Curriculum information
- Marvellous Me
- Class email address -Y1@birches.staffs.sch.uk



