

**Great Waltham C of E Primary School**  
**Year 1 Curriculum overview Spring Term**  
(please note planning can be subject to change)

**English**

**Reading** – The children will develop their reading skills by participating in daily phonics sessions, guided reading groups and shared whole class reading sessions.

**Writing** – The will develop their grammar and punctuation skills and sentence structure. The children will continue writing sentences independently using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. The children will start using and to join sentences together and adjectives in their writing.

**History/Geography**

**History** - We will be using our research skills to find out what it would have been like to live in a medieval castle. We will look at food, clothes, jobs, weapons, entertainment and also the purpose and names of different parts of a castle. We will be looking at different kings and queens and The Battle of Hastings.

**Geography** - We will look at locations of different castles in relation to countries and capital cities of the UK. We will be thinking about why castles were built on hills and the physical land features around castles.



**RE**

**Enquiry** – **What is the good news Jesus brings?** We will be looking at how Jesus teaches friendship, forgiveness and peace. We will think about how God gives gifts and how Christians thank God.

**Maths**

**Place Value (20)** – Count within 20, reading and writing numbers to 20, tens and ones, one more and one less, ordering and comparing numbers, use and estimate on a number line to 20.

**Adding/Subtracting (20)** - Writing number sentences within 20, number bonds to 20, adding and subtracting on a number line, using doubles, understanding related facts, answering missing number problems.

**Place Value (50)** – Groups of tens and ones, partition into tens and ones, the number line to 50.

**Measurement (length and height)** – Comparing length and height, measure in objects, measure in cm.

**Measurement (mass and volume)** – Measure and compare mass, measure and compare capacity.

**Computing**

**Programming (moving a robot)** – We will be introduced to early programming skills. Using individual commands and programming a robot to move forwards, backwards, left and right.

**Grouping Data** – We will explore Labelling, grouping, and searching are important aspects of data and information.

**Online-safety** - We will explore how to keep safe online using the National Online Safety curriculum.

**Throughout the year the children will also use simulation games on the computer /iPads linked to other subject areas.**

**PSHE**

**Relationships**

We will learn about what a good friend is and kind and unkind behaviour. We will be learning how to treat others with respect and recognise when bullying might happen and what to do if we feel worried or upset.

We will be learning about different roles in society and whose job it is to look after us.

# Castles

**ART**

Landscape drawing  
Bellotto  
Printing

**DT**

Structures and mechanisms

**Music**

As musicians we will be exploring different ways of making sounds using our voices, bodies and instruments using Charanga.

**PE**

**Tennis and Basketball** - We will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching.

**Gymnastics** - We will be learning to sequence moves and to develop our co-ordination and balance.

**Football** - We will participate in team games, developing simple tactics for attacking and defending.

**Science**

**Everyday Materials** – We will investigate the properties of different materials. We will test materials based on whether they are waterproof and whether they can bend and stretch.

**Seasonal changes** – The children will go on a walk to explore the changes between autumn and spring. We will track the changes in weather and think about the changes in the trees and the clothes we wear.