

# What to expect in Year 1

## Meet the Year 1 Team:

**Mrs Adams**

**Mrs Croll**

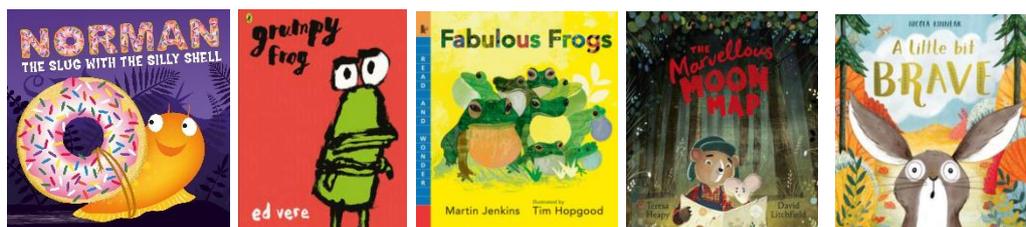


We also have some other very helpful, caring adults in Year 1 who may work with your child; **Miss Vickers** and **Miss Garbutt**.

At the end of this newsletter you will find some information about Mrs Adams and Mrs Croll to share with your child. This can also be found on our school website.

Below is an outline of the topics we cover in Year 1 and an overview of the content of each topic.

Across the year we will read a variety of different class texts alongside picture books daily. Here are some of the books that we will cover throughout Year 1.



Topic Name	Overview	Subjects Covered	Time of year
Can we discover what school life was like in the past?	During this topic your child will learn to make comparisons between the past and the present, focussing on school life. They will be introduced to the	History Geography Design & Technology	Autumn term 1

	concept of timelines and be able to recognise changes over time. Your child will also be introduced to compass directions and look at the land use around school. In DT we will design our own school meal and work with our School Chef to make this meal.		
Can we discover why castles were built?	During this topic your child will learn about the importance of castles in the past and key features of a range of castles. They will also learn about William the Conqueror as a famous person in History. In DT the children will be making their own castles using clay and a range of other materials.	History Design & Technology	Autumn term 2 Spring term 1
Can we discover if it is possible to go to the moon?	During this topic your child will learn all about the moon landing along with famous astronauts including Neil Armstrong and Tim Peake. We will also look at how the moon landings were made possible by famous Mathematicians including Katherine Johnson.	History	Spring term 2 Summer term 1
Can we discover what life is like at the seaside?	During this topic your child will learn key human and physical features of an area. They will be looking at the location of a seaside on a map and will compare our local area to a seaside town.	Geography	Summer term 2

### Physical Education

Year 1 P.E days are Monday and Tuesday. Throughout the year we will be covering skills in Dance, Gymnastics and Games. If your child has their ears pierced please send in some tape/plasters so your child can cover their piercings for their PE lesson.



### Art

Throughout the year your child will be introduced to a range of different Artists and Art from other cultures including Kandinsky, Aboriginal Art and Andy Goldsworthy. The



children will develop a range of skills in drawing, painting, collage, sculpture and printing. They will be given opportunities to experiment in their own sketch book and develop their ideas and creativity.

### **Science**

In Science your child will cover a range of topics including Materials, Animals including Humans and Living Things. They will be introduced to a range of scientific vocabulary and learn the skills to work scientifically. Your child will be given the opportunity to learn from first hand experiences including looking after duck eggs in an incubator and watching them hatch into ducklings.



### **Religious Education**

In RE your child will learn about religions including Christianity and Buddhism. They will look at the important celebrations in each religion. They will be given the opportunity to ask and answer questions including why is Jesus special?

### **RSHE**

In RSHE lessons we cover Friendships, Families, Relationships, Being Safe and Physical and Mental Wellbeing. Your child will learn to understand how important it is to keep our body and our mind healthy. They will also recognise the importance of respecting others even if they are different from themselves linking with our school motto "All different, all equal".

### **Computing**

Throughout the year your child will learn about staying safe online and develop a range of skills with using technology including logging on, accessing documents, navigating around a computer screen and typing.



### **Music**

In Music your child will listen to a range of songs and be introduced to a range of musical vocabulary including pulse, rhythm and pitch. They will develop their performance and listening skills and be given opportunities to compose their own music using a range of instruments.

### **Other important information**

#### **Homework days**

Homework will be sent via email every Monday. Please complete the tasks with your child at home and email the completed work back to your child's teacher by the Friday of that week. The homework will be a mixture of Maths and English work and will consolidate the work from the previous week in school.

#### **Reading Records**

Reading Records will be sent home every night. Please sign them when you have heard your child read. It is lovely to see what they have been reading at home.



#### **Keep in touch!**

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## Meet the Teachers

*Hi everyone,  
I'm Mrs Croll and I am really lucky that I get to be your teacher when you come into Year 1!*

Since you may not know me yet, I just wanted to tell you a little bit about myself! I've been a teacher for 6 years now and I can honestly say it is the best job in the world! I was actually inspired to become a teacher from my teachers I had whilst I was at primary school! Maybe one day in the future, you will look back and think about the fun you had at Burnopfield Primary School and you may also decide to become a teacher! How cool would that be!? I have been a teacher in year 3, year 2 and now in year 1 and I must say, Key stage 1 is definitely my favourite! Half of the time it may not even feel like 'work' because you will be having so much fun at the same time! I love reading stories and all sitting together on the carpet enjoying books! It is one of my favourite times of the day!



Outside of school, I have a little doggy called Mila. She's a miniature Jack Russell and I'm sure you will hear lots of stories about her when you're in my class! I love taking her out on long adventures and finding new places to go walking. I love being outdoors – it's great! I also love it when the sun is shining and the weather is hot!

I know moving classes and getting a new teacher can seem quite scary and you'll probably feel a little bit nervous too, but I promise we will have an AMAZING time in year one! Our year together will be filled with lots and lots of fun and laughter... and learning of course!

*I look forward to seeing you all soon!*  
*Mrs Croll xx*

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***My name is Mrs Adams and I am super excited because I get to be your Teacher when you come into Year 1 at Burnopfield!***



Let me tell you a little bit about myself. I have been a teacher for 6 years and all of those years I have taught in Year 1 (it's the best!) I am in charge of Art across the whole school because I really enjoy it! We do lots of great Art in Year 1 and you also get to learn about famous Artists – how cool! I'm also in charge of Music at school too!

I really love spending time outdoors; going on long walks, not so long runs and I especially love spending time at our Forest School! In Year 1 we spend some time together at Forest School and even have a fire with marshmallows (yum!) I love when the weather is hot and enjoy going to the beach for fish and chips and ice cream! I also love going on holiday abroad in the Summer with my family and my friends and making lots of fun memories!

I have a really fluffy cat at home called Nala, she is a bit of a tinker! I also have 2 older sisters and 1 older brother. They all have children, so I have 8 nieces and nephews so far! I love spending time with them. We do lots of different things including visiting the farm, going swimming and riding our bikes!

We have lots of fun in Year 1 and you learn loads too (win win!) I am so looking forward to meeting you at school and making lots of lovely memories together if you are in my class. We will have a great year!

**Mrs Adams x**