Windmill Hill Academy Home Learning Menu:

Year One Autumn One 2026-2027

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Reading, Phonics and Maths

We encourage you to support your child daily with their reading and their phonics. Please do make a comment in your child's reading record as this is very valuable to us.

Here are some examples of the sorts of comments you may make:

- Wonderful! John made extremely good attempts at sounding out unfamiliar words.

- Anne really enjoyed this book set by the sea. It reminded her of the Lighthouse Keeper books which we have read at home.

- Particularly enjoyed reading this book and looking at the illustrations.

-John has read more books by the same author at home.

– Very little help needed today. Remembered many of the letter sounds and read lots of words independently.

- It was such a pleasure to listen to Jane read. She was able to identify and read the words independently. - He spotted a full stop!

-Fluent and confident, showing enthusiasm and enjoyment.

- Confused "b" and "d" sounds at the beginning of the word "dig" but self-corrected when read within the context of the sentence.

Each week the children will be sent home with a reading book that is appropriate for their level and a library book for you to share together. These will be collected in on a Wednesday, and new books will be sent home on a Thursday/Friday.

In addition, on a rota your, your child will bring home travelling Ted for the night, please encourage your child to draw a picture and have a go at writing a sentence. Travelling Ted loves just spending time with you and your family.

Online Learning Your child will have access to Numbots to support maths, logins and a parent letter will be sent home explaining how to use this online platform at home.

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Year One Autumn One Learning Activities:

Your child has the opportunity to complete activities linked to their current learning concept, if they wish. Each week your child will also be sent home with a Little Wandle home learning sheet covering what we have learnt in the week. If you do complete any of the project activities this half term, please can your child bring them in as they are completed. We will be collecting in home learning books every Wednesday.

I enjoy…				
	Easiest			Challenging
I enjoy Maths LI: To be able to use numbers to 10 in different ways. (within 10)	Create a number book of your own for numbers to 10 to help you remember them.	Write down the different ways to make 6, 7, 8 and 9.	Add and subtract simple number sentences within 10.	Compare and order 4 different numbers (within 10)
I enjoy writing LI: To invent a character.	Draw and label a character you create.	To write a sentence about a well-known character.	To write a sentence about a character with finger spaces, capital letters and full stops.	To write a sentence about a character using the word 'and' to join extra information.
I enjoy painting, drawing and visualising. LI: To include increasing detail and accuracy when drawing.	Draw or paint a picture your favourite animal.	Draw or paint a picture of your favourite walk.	Draw / create a story map of your journey to school.	Design a new landmark
I enjoy hands on activities. LI: To explore how to join / attach different types of materials together.	Use different materials to create a collage of your favourite scene from the story.	Make a puppet that can be used to retell a story.	Make a free-standing structure e.g a bridge or tower	Create a 3-D model that interests you!
I enjoy making and listening to music. LI: To understand how music can help to tell a story.	Create interesting sound effects to different animals.	Use your sound effects to help you retell a story to an audience (someone at home or your friends in class).	Learn the song 'London's Burning' to sing with others in class.	Practice and perform (or record) your own song
Alternatively, something of your own choice – a story, a poem, a letter or make a …				