

GUIDE TO CHILDREN'S LEARNING Autumn Term 1 2026/2027 (Year B) - Year 1/2 Ahoy Pirates!

Overview Come on an adventure across the high seas to discover the Pirate way of life! Our topic explores the oceans and continents, investigates materials, searches for Wanted pirates and creates colourful parrots. Our topic culminates in our Pirate Day! Aha!

Books / Text Based Learning



Autumn Term Puffins and Robins

Term 1: Friday 4th September 2026 to Friday, 23 October 2026

(Half term: Saturday, 24 October to Sunday, 1 November 2026)

Term 2: Monday, 2 November 2026 to Friday, 18 December 2026 (Christmas

holiday: Saturday, 19 December 2026 to Sunday, 3 January 2027)

English

Fiction — Night Pirates—Character description

Fiction — Night Pirates—Retelling the story

Poetry—Meet the Pirates—Performance poetry

Mathematics

Year 1: Place Value within 10 / Addition and Subtraction

Year 2: Place Value / Addition and Subtraction

Science

Year 1: Identifying Materials

Children will be able to name the material which an object is made from. They will describe them, choose suitable materials and test materials to protect something fragile!

Year 2: Using Materials

Year 2 children will name the materials, suggest uses for them and be able to explain why some are suitable or unsuitable for a purpose. They will test materials and investigate the best choices for a protective case.

Art and Design

Pirate and Parrot Collages

The children will learn the skills of collage and, using mixed media, will create a collage picture.

Computing

Technology Around Us

The children will discuss Internet Safety before learning about technology at home, in school and all around us!

Geography

Continents and Oceans

Children will learn how to locate continents, oceans and physical/human features on a map. They will be able to describe where they are in the world and you will probably hear them singing the Continents song!

Music: Call and Response (Animals)

Developing rhythm and pulse through chanting call-and-response sound patterns

Physical Education: Multiskills

PE will be taught by Mr Baron on a Wednesday morning at Gedney Hill in Robins. At Shepeau Stow PE will be taught by Mrs Beale on a Friday afternoon in Puffins.

Personal, Social, Health Education

Rights, Rules and Responsibilities

This topic helps the children consider their roles and responsibilities at school. It also includes discussing the school rules, creating our class rules and considering how to be safe and happy at school.

Religious Education

Special and Sacred Stories

Year 1 and 2 children will learn about special religious stories in various religions.

Read, Write, inc.

The children will continue to learn new sounds and practise reading words during their phonics session.

Children will continue to bring home:

-A book or ditty for them to read to an adult (once able to read independently).

-A book to be read to them by an adult. This will be labelled "A library book to share."

Pirates!