



SUMMER TERM

NEWSLETTER 2025

Welcome back to school!

We hope you had a happy and holy Easter break with your family and friends. We can't wait for all the wonderful things we have planned during the summer term. Its hard to believe we are now in our final term of the school year. Time really does fly when we're having fun!

Phonics Screening Check

Children in Year 1 and some Year 2 children who are re-sitting will be completing their phonics screening check week beginning 9th June. We will be preparing for this over the coming weeks in our phonics lessons. The children will be doing lots of practice papers so they will be very familiar with it. Please use the QR codes we gave out at the phonics meeting to help support your child. If you missed the meeting, the PowerPoint slides and the QR codes are on our website. If you have any questions please let us know.



Maths

We are consolidating our place value and + and - knowledge this half term whilst working with numbers to 100 . We will also be exploring time, multiplication and division including fractions as well as our geometry topic on position and direction.

Year 2 parents please help your child to be confident knowing their 2s, 5s and 10s in more preparation for the Juniors.

English

In our English lessons this term, we will be working on lots of different texts. We will be writing our own traditional tale with a twist based on Pandaella. We will also be writing instructions for George's Marvellous Medicine. We love to link our English work to the topics we are learning about in other areas, so we will be writing some poetry all about the seaside.

R.E

This half term, KS1 will begin an exciting new topic: Holidays and Holy Days. We will explore the ongoing mission of Jesus Christ in the Church, carried out through the power of the Holy Spirit. Children will learn about how Christians live out Jesus' teachings today and how special celebrations and holy days reflect the love and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Following this, we will be marking Interfaith Week by deepening our understanding of different faiths, with a particular focus on Hinduism. Through stories, symbols, and celebrations, children will gain a greater appreciation for the beliefs and traditions of the Hindu faith, encouraging respect and curiosity for the diverse world around them.



Science

Our big question for our first Science topic this term will be 'Do all babies hatch?'. We will be looking at different life cycles of living things and how living things grow from babies to adults. We are even getting our very own chicks to observe as they hatch from their eggs.

In Summer 2 we will be focusing on the ocean and coastal habitats. We will be asking the question 'Why should you only leave footprints on the sand?' as we investigate pollution in our oceans and how we can help.



Topic

In our first half term we will be studying History. Our big question will be 'Do all heroes wear capes?'. We will be studying heroes in history including Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale.

In Summer 2 we will be studying Geography. Our big question will be 'What is it like to be beside the seaside?'. We will learn about the human and physical features of the seaside, finding out who Grace Darling was and why she is famous as well as working on our map skills.



Reading & homework

Reading books will continue to be changed once a week. Please ensure your child has their books in their bag each day as they may read with a teacher/volunteer. Please continue to sign your child's journal daily, so that we know that your child has read to you. The books we send home support them with their current phonics learning from lessons so may focus on particular sounds/rules. We are sure they love sharing these with you! Homework will continue to be sent home with your child on a Friday. Thank you so much for your continued support with the homework and reading we send home. It really does make a huge difference to their learning in school.

Reminders

PE this half term is Monday and Thursday for Year 1 and Year 1/2

PE this half term is Monday and Friday for Year 2.

As the weather is getting warmer, please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day. Sun cream must be applied at home in the morning and children can bring a sun hat that is clearly labeled.

Assessments

As mentioned at the 'Meet the Teacher' session at the start of the year, we will be using the Year 2 SATs to support our teacher assessments. The children won't notice anything different – these will feel just like the usual assessments we've done, and we'll continue to refer to them as 'special quizzes.' Year 1 children will complete the NFER assessments as we do at the end of every term. We're confident they'll all do their best, as they always do!

PLEA!

Could we kindly ask for more toilet roll and kitchen roll tubes to be donated please? In Art, we'll be creating beautiful tree sculptures, and these will be a huge help! Thank you so much for all the donations last half term – the tubes were perfect for our wacky race cars!



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