

# Year 1 News

## Summer 2026

### Key Learning



#### Literacy: extending sentences with 'and';

- To spell tricky words correctly.
- To write short narratives by sequencing sentences.
- To read my writing clearly enough to be heard by my peers.
- To use -ing, -er and -ed suffixes.



#### Numeracy: Number Work

- forwards and backwards to 100 from any number.
- To count in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s
- To find one half/quarter of a shape or number.
- To read and draw o'clock and half past times.



#### Creative Curriculum: Kings and Queens

Know about the hottest and coldest seasons in the UK.

What famous Kings and Queens do you know?

Draw and paint self portraits.

Design, make and evaluate a fruit salad for a royal banquet.

Welcome back!

We hope that you all had a very happy Easter and we are looking forward to a very busy and exciting term with the children. Just a reminder that our topic for this half term is Kings and Queens – please refer to the Topic Web and Family Learning sheets for information on what we are learning this term. The children are welcome to bring in their Home Learning to add to our classroom display!

As always, we will try to endeavour to keep you updated with what is happening in Year 1 through letter updates and Seesaw, but please do not hesitate to email us, or arrange a telephone call if there is anything you would like to discuss.

Please remember to send Reading books and records in on Wednesdays and Fridays. Optional homework will continue to be provided via Seesaw online.

Please note that our trip to Windsor castle is on Friday 9th May. You will need to send your children into school by 8:15 am so we can leave by 8:30am. Any children who arrive late will be left behind.

Thankyou.

**Mrs Carey and Miss Moldon**

#### DATES FOR YEAR 1:

Monday 13th April - start of term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May- Ladybirds class assembly- 10am

Thursday 21st May Windsor Castle trip

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Beetles class assembly 10 am

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - End of half-term

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June - Start of half-term and Phonics Week Check

Thursday 18th June - Summer Fayre

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Years R, 1 and 2 Sports Day 9-11am

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Children spend the day with their new teacher

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025 3.15pm - Parents meet the Year 2 teachers

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July - reports sent home

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July - School finishes at 1.20pm

## Reading books

During this term we will continue teaching daily comprehension sessions where we focus on one text as a class per week, in which we study it in depth through thinking, discussing, sharing ideas and answering a range of different questions. We focus on understanding what each question word actually means and what type of answer to look for.

In addition to this, we continue to endeavour to listen to your children read regularly (daily within each Phonics group) and we follow many assessment methods in order to monitor their reading ability. The skill of reading takes into account many different strands therefore it is likely for children to move phonics groups within a school term.

Learning to read is a very important part of children's learning so please help your child by reading and discussing their book with them at home for a few minutes **every** night and sign the Reading Record to show this. Please be aware that they do not need to finish the whole book every night as some of them are quite long. Books and Reading Records should come to school every **Wednesday and Friday** with your child.

There is also an opportunity to build on reading skills through the app 'Reading Eggs'. Please note that the children have a log in for these, this can be used for additional reading online. Please sign the Reading Record to let us know if your child has used Reading eggs or Oxford Owl for their daily reading.

## Maths, Phonics and Spellings Homework

Thank you for the support with online homework (Seesaw). We will continue to post homework on there every **Friday** to be completed when you can. In addition to this, we will provide phonics practise and useful websites in the lead up to the Phonics Screening Check..

## PE kits and uniforms

P.E for **Beetles** will continue to be on a **Monday and Thursday**.

**Ladybirds** will continue to have PE on a **Wednesday and Thursday**

- All children must wear either plimsolls or trainers when taking part in PE. Jumpers must either be the school burgundy jumper or a plain black/ navy jumper. If you child is wearing a tracksuit for PE in winter, it must be plain black or navy blue.
- Please ensure that all school uniform – including all P.E. kit - is clearly labelled so lost property can find its way back to you. It is the children's responsibility to keep track of their own belongings.
- Jewellery is not to be worn on P.E days. Please ensure all earrings are removed before your child comes to school on P.E days as we are unable to assist them in taking their earrings out OR ensure they can remove earrings safely by themselves.
- It is important that all uniform, including hair ties, follows our school expectations so that we can continue to present a smart image as a whole school.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via the class email or via seesaw. We aim to get back to you within 2 days.

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