

Spring 2025 – Curriculum news



January 2025

We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas, a well-deserved break and are ready for another term! We will kick-start our term with a history focus on significant people with a detailed study on Mary Anning and Sir David Attenborough. In Art, we will be exploring print making and textiles. PSHE will be taught weekly and will focus on dreams and goals. Speaking and listening will be a central aspect of this subject. In Geography, the children will be learning about the UK countries and cities within these. RE will be taught weekly and the children will be learning about Christianity – Jesus as a friend. In Science, we will be learning all about materials and their properties. We will use our senses whilst preparing healthy dishes and learning how to grate, ribbon and slice in our DT unit. In Computing, the children will be learning about staying safe online and how to use digital resources to draw.



Reading

We will continue with our three Little Wandle reading sessions each week. This is proving to be fantastic for the children's fluency and their confidence in reading is exceptional.

Please continue to record any reading completed at home in your child's reading record. This will earn them visits to the 'reading café'.



English

In English this term, we will be writing a recount on our fantastic trip to the pantomime. Alongside some exciting nature poetry. We will be learning to construct and write an informal letter. We will be focusing on the differing language features required to write these texts, whilst continuing to build on our prior knowledge.



Rainbow Challenges

- Research 5 interesting facts about Sir David Attenborough or Mary Anning.
- Design and make a healthy meal for your family
- Create a leaflet about how to stay healthy
- Investigate the life cycle of different animals and record what you find
- Make a garden of goals- what do you wish to achieve?
- Research animals with super powers – what will you discover?
- Write a book review about a book you have enjoyed with someone.



Mathematics

This half term the children will deepen their understanding of numbers to 20. They will use number lines to 20 and add and subtract accurately. We will learn the doubles to double 10 and revisit fact families. After half term, we will move on to work with numbers to 50, looking at place value (tens and ones). We will then cover length, height and measuring in centimetres. Measuring and comparing mass, capacity and volume will finish the term.

The children will be given 'Numbots' log ins and can use the site to practise their number skills.



PE

PE will be on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Please ensure your child comes to school **in the correct PE kit on these days**. A warm tracksuit will be needed for outdoor PE, long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons.

Year 1 staff

Miss Barnard
France class teacher

Mrs Sadler
China class teacher

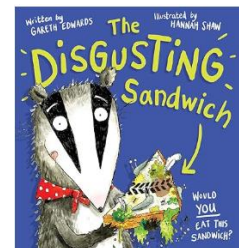
Mrs Norman
Finland class teacher

Mrs Worley
Finland class teacher

Miss Jackson
Student teacher

Mrs Cunningham & Mrs Howard
Learning support assistants

Recommended read



One day, a boy drops his sandwich in a sandpit, and the race is on! A very hungry badger wants it. Will the badger ever get his paws on that sandwich? And will he even want it if he does, or will it just be too disgusting?



Home learning

Home learning will continue to be set on Fridays and is due in the following Wednesday.

Your child will be given a phonics task every week along with 1 maths or English task to complete on Showbie. This is related to learning in the classroom. Any questions please ask.