



Year 1& 2 Autumn Term 2026

English - This term, children will use high-quality stories as a stimulus for their reading and writing. Year 1 children will focus on writing simple sentences with capital letters and full stops, while Year 2 children will build on this by writing a wider range of sentences, making links between ideas and using punctuation accurately. Children will learn to identify and use common and proper nouns and will explore themes of transition, friendships and settling into the new school year. Children will continue Read Write Inc. phonics at their individual level and will be assessed each half term, with home learning matched to the sounds they are learning.

Maths - As mathematicians, Year 1 children will count, read, write, compare and order numbers within 10, exploring one more and one less and counting forwards and backwards. Year 2 children will build their understanding of numbers to 100 by learning about tens and ones, comparing and ordering numbers, partitioning numbers, using number lines, and counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s.

Relationships and Health Education - This half term we will be looking at safe relationships, understanding families and friendships, and knowing how to respect ourselves as well as others. Children will have the opportunity to explore friendships and connections as well as to know why people and others are special. Key vocabulary: feelings, respect, fair

RW – We will explore what it means to belong to different communities. They will explore Christian traditions, such as visiting church, and compare them to Judaism.

Geography – As geographers, we will look at our local area, particularly its physical and human features. The children will use field work and observational drawing to record what they see.

History - As historians, Year 1 & 2 will look at history within living memory, exploring the history of their lives. We will be using the vocabulary of past and present within our learning.

PE- Year 1 & 2 will be looking at the key skills of balance and coordination within their PE lesson this term. Our PE days will be on a Monday, so please ensure that children are dressed appropriately in their school jumper, black joggers/leggings or shorts and white t-shirt with a sensible pair of trainers.

Art - The children will be looking at artist, Liese Webley. Inspired by her work, the children will look at the colours and textures within her artwork. We will create a nature inspired piece of art by the end of the term.

Science - This term we will be looking at materials and comparing their qualities. We will be trying to find lots of items that are made of different materials and comparing their properties.

Music - Year 1 & 2 will have the opportunity to play percussion instruments, including the glockenspiel by following music and learning how to make different sounds. They will also be listening to a range of different music and talking about how it makes them feel.

Computing - As users of technology, the children will develop their typing skills by using a computer to create and change the presentation of text. They will also consider the differences of creating text with a computer compared to by hand.

Design and Technology - As designers we will be making toy cars as part of our DT learning. We will be thinking about how to make it move forwards and backwards and using axels to support us with this.