

Year Two, Autumn Term 2026, Newsletter One

Welcome to Year Two! We hope you had a lovely summer break. Please find below information about the learning we will undertake this half term as well as some reminders. Please keep your eyes on our website and social media for pictures, news and last-minute announcements.

Reading

In Reading lessons, we will be focussing in on three beautiful texts: Grandad's Island, The Goose that laid the golden eggs and Mrs Noah's Pockets. We will be reading together out loud to practise expression, making predictions and answering comprehension questions. (Just a heads up, Grandad's Island gently covers the topic of losing a loved one, without specifically mentioning death.)

Writing

Our writing curriculum starts with a recap on the structure of a sentence and the importance of punctuation before moving on to writing character descriptions, poems and retelling a simple narrative. The children will learn the features of these three text types and will be immersed in lots of good examples before writing their own.

Maths

Autumn 1 provides children with a firm understanding of number and place value with higher numbers. Once they are secure with tens and ones, writing numbers, estimating numbers on a number line and comparing numbers, we will move on to addition and subtraction. In this unit, the children will learn to add and subtract 2 -digit numbers, even tricky ones like $34 - 19 =$

Science

This half term our science unit looks at seasonal changes. We will learn about how the weather changes across the four seasons, as well as how trees change and different events that happen as the seasons change (for example lambing). The children will set up long term studies and observe the changes across the four seasons.

Geography and History

This half term is a history focus titled 'How am I making History?'. The children think about their own history, and then learn about what life was like for children in the past. The children will realise that one day, children of the future will be learning about their childhoods, as we are all making history!

Art and Design Technology

In Art, we are focusing on drawing. The children will have lots of opportunities to develop mark making on different materials. They will try observational drawing too.
In Design and Technology the children are making a story book with moving parts.

PE

Monday's indoor PE will focus on movement.
Tuesday's outdoor PE will focus on playing games.

RE

In RE our first unit is called Teshuvah. The children will be learning about why Jewish families talk about repentance at new year.

Computing

In computing, the children will be developing their mouse skills including click and drag, drawing shapes using the mouse to draw a story.

Reminders

PE days are Monday and Friday.
Homework should be returned on Fridays.
We will begin sending homework on Friday 18th September.