



Year 1 Newsletter

Summer 1—2025/2026



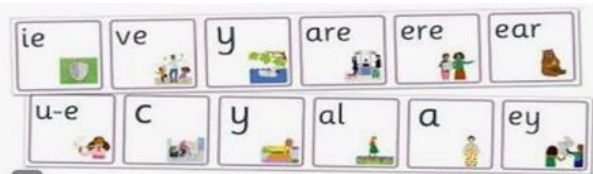
Notices and Reminders

Remember to bring in the following daily please:

- Water bottle
- Reading book and diary
- Reading books will be changed weekly on a Friday.
- Homework will be sent home on a Wednesday and is due back the following Tuesday.
- Library books will normally be changed on a Monday.

Phonics

The children will be relearning and consolidating all sounds and spellings taught so far in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check in June.



Writing

In writing this half term, the children will be learning about non-fiction texts and will write a letter to The Night Pirates. Then they will write a story that is linked to 'Where the Wild Things Are'. They will also continue to work on using correct grammar and punctuation. The focus will be on using capital letters and exclamation marks correctly.



Key dates

April 2026

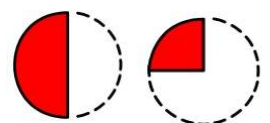
- Monday 13th April - Back to school
- Wednesday 15th April - Performer's Place musical theatre workshop for all children
- Thursday 23rd April - Friends Meeting
- Wednesday 29th April - Fun Science here for science workshops for all children

May 2026

- Monday 4th May - May Bank Holiday
- Wednesday 6th to Tuesday 12th May - Scholastic Book Fair in the hall after school each day
- Friday 8th May - Friends Quiz Night
- Friday 15th May – Own Clothes Day for summer tombola donations
- Tuesday 19th May - Sports Week Sunshine trip to Clip n Climb Camberley
- Wednesday 20th May - Sports Week athlete visit
- Friday 22nd May - Sports Day
- 25th to 29th May - MAY HALF TERM

Maths

In maths this half term, the children will learn how to add equal groups, make arrays and how to make equal groups by sharing. The children will begin to learn about halves and quarters in their unit on fractions. They will also learn about position and direction using the terms 'forwards, backwards, left and right'. In our place value unit, the children will learn numbers to 100.



Science

In science this half term, the children will be learning about plants. The children will then learn to identify and name a variety of both wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. Finally, the children will investigate the question – do the tallest trees have the biggest leaves?



Geography

In geography this half term, the children will be learning about India. They will begin by learning the geographical features of the country, for example the river Ganges, the Himalayas and the surrounding seas. Then they will learn about the city of Senoi and compare it to the city of Guildford.



Music

In music this half term, the children will be exploring sound. They will learn that music is made up of high and low sounds, long and short sounds and loud and quiet sounds. The children will explore these sounds and create their own very simple melodies.



PE

In PE this half term the children will be focusing on athletics and mastering basic movements, including running, jumping, throwing and catching. They will also learn how to participate in a team relay and how to leap over obstacles. Existing knowledge on how to send and receive a ball will also be extended as the children will be learning to send and receive different pieces of equipment.



DT

In DT this half term, the children will be creating their own moving story books. They will learn about mechanisms and how they can make a picture move up and down as well as side-to-side using sliders. The children will think about who their target audience is and use this to help them to design, create and evaluate their own moving story books.



PSHE

In PSHE this half term, the children will be learning how to stay safe. They will look at staying safe both online and at home. The children will then be thinking about different ways in which they can be polite and kind to one another. The children will then think about the different responsibilities that they have.



Homework

Please read at home with your child 5 times a week and record the reads in your child's reading diary. As a school we check and record the number of reads children do at home and celebrate this in class.

Please complete the home learning and return by the date stated on the learning.

Suggested books for reading

