



Welcome to all our new Year 1 children!

Autumn 2026

Ladybirds and Bumblebees Year 1



We have had a really productive start to the new academic year and have been really enjoying getting to know all of the children. We hope you are all feeling settled in your new classes. We have a busy term ahead where we will learn about our local Geography and where our school is in the world! We will learn the name of our Town, Country, and Continent and we will our different seasons and how the weather changes. After half term we will be learning about Toys throughout history.

Key Dates:

01.09.26 – INSET Day
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03.09.26 - Autumn Term begins
08.09.26 – Year 1 meet the teacher
23.09.26 – School photos
30.09.26– Harvest Church Service
08.10.26 – School disco
09.10.26 – World Mental Health Day
22.10.25 – Last day of Autumn 1
23.10.26– INSET Day
HALF TERM
02.11.26 – First Day of Autumn 2
w/c Monday 16.11.26 – Anti Bullying Week
13.11.26 – Children in Need
24.11.26 – Parents Evening
25.11.26 – Parents Evening
27.12.26—Non-uniform day for Christmas Fayre donations
1.12.26—Rock Steady Concert (10am)
4.12.26—Christmas Fayre
08.12.26 - KS1 Nativity Performance(9:30am & 2pm)
11.12.26 - KS1 Nativity Performance(9:30am)
14.12.26 Elfridges
16.12.26– Christmas Church Service (1:45pm)
17.12.26– Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch
18.12.26—Pantomime and END OF AUTUMN TERM

Home Learning:

In Year 1 we expect the children to complete the following home learning activities:

- Daily reading – 10 minutes per day
- Daily number skills—counting forwards and backwards in ones from any number– 10 minutes per day
- In addition, your child will receive half term homework. You will notice that there are now some 'Must Do' activities and some 'Could Do' activities. Home learning should be an activity which you complete with your child, making it a positive time spent together. At the end of each half term, we will celebrate your child's achievements as a school community and your child will be awarded with a certificate. We encourage the children to read by awarding reading certificates. Your child must read five times with an adult (from home) to get a tick in a box. As your child achieves the ticks in the boxes, they will receive a certificate and in time different reading badges in Family Collective Worship.

Collective Worship:

Family Collective Worship takes place on a **Thursday morning at 9:15am** in the hall and is led by Rev Ray and Anna.

Our first Family Collective Worship of the academic year will take place Thursday 17th September.

This is a wonderful opportunity to come together to celebrate birthdays and achievements.

Please ensure that all of your child's clothes are named.

Please ensure that your child has a bag and a named water bottle in school everyday.

PE:

Please ensure that your child's named P.E kit is always in school and ready for indoor and outdoor activities. Most weeks, outdoor P.E. will take place on a **Friday afternoon** and indoor P.E will take place on a **Thursday morning**. However, timetables may be changed or re-arranged so please ensure your child's PE kit is in school each day just incase we find time for an extra session.

PE Kit should be **NAMED** and include;

- Black shorts (Black tracksuit bottoms may be worn outside in cooler weather)
- Plain white t-shirt or house coloured t-shirt
- Plimsolls/trainers for outside

Earrings need to be removed for PE (at home please), but if this is not possible please cover them with tape until they can be removed. Long hair also needs to be tied up.

