



Year 1 Newsletter Autumn 1 2026

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Welcome

Hello and welcome to year 1! We hope you have had a fabulous summer break and are now ready for the new school term. We are so impressed with the wonderful start every child has made this week. We have loved finding out the adventures you got up to with your aliens over the summer. We are looking forward to the year ahead!

Curriculum

In **History** this half term we will be looking at Neil Armstrong. In **Science** we are learning about animals including humans identifying, classifying and comparing them. We will begin our topic on the 4 seasons focussing on Autumn and the changes that happen. Our **RE** topic is celebrations and festivals; Who celebrates what and why? We will look at different celebrations for Christian and Jewish people. **Writing** will be taught through 'Drawing Club' where we share stories and create characters, settings and adventures. Year 1 **Maths** will continue to follow the white rose scheme and will be focussing on place value within 10 (counting, more than, less than, ordering, comparing). We will then move onto addition and subtraction within 10.

PE	Home/School
This half term our PE days will be Monday and Thursday. Please send your child to school in Croft active uniform on these days (Black shorts, joggers or leggings, red or white t-shirt, red or black hoodie and trainers). Please make sure long hair is tied back. Earrings should be removed at home on PE days if possible. Tape will be used to cover earrings if not removed, this will be at teacher discretion.	As the weather is unpredictable, please make sure your child brings a jumper or cardigan and a suitable coat to school each day. Please ensure ALL UNIFORM IS CLEARLY NAMED – this particularly helps us at the end of the school day. A refillable water bottle is also important to keep hydrated and aid learning.

Reading

Year 1 is a key time in a child's school life, to develop reading skills. Please support your child by encouraging them to read a little every day – make it a habit. Aim for Fab5! Make sure your child brings their reading book / record to school every day.

Children will usually read two or three times a week as part of a guided group, with a carefully matched phonetically decoded book. After reading and working on a book in school, the children will take the same book home to read again, to develop fluency, expression and understanding.

The children will also be bringing home a book to read for pleasure. This book is for you to share together – it is not expected that your child should be able to read this book by themselves

Communication

Class dojo

Class dojo is a wonderful tool and the best way for you to communicate with the class teacher. We use it to send out lots of information and share the children's achievements. Please continue to share any achievements or special moments from home on Dojo too. It is lovely for us to be able to share what they have been doing with the rest of the class. Please remember that if you have information of an urgent nature or need to report absences, please call the school office, as we are not always able to pick up messages in teaching hours.