



# Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter

## Spring Term 2026

### Class Information

**Teachers: Mrs Young and Miss Totty**

**LSAs in the Phase/ Year Group: Mrs Edwards and Mrs Robillard**

### Welcome Back

**Happy New Year and welcome back to school!** We have a really exciting term ahead - this newsletter will give you lots of information about what your child will be learning and how you can support at home. There are also some important dates for your diaries.

Please message us via Dojo if you have any questions or queries. We are not always able to check messages during the school day, so if you have any urgent questions, please ring the school office. If your child is unable to attend school, please ring the office rather than Dojo their class teacher.

### Year 1 Learning for this Term

#### English:

The children will be engaging in daily, whole-class phonics lessons adhering to the Little Wandle scheme. The work covered in phonics will be posted on Dojo each Friday. The children apply their phonics learning by reading and writing each day in their English lessons. Their English this term is built around the following high quality texts: 'The Odd Egg' by Emily Gravett and 'Stanley's Stick' by John Hegley. We will also link a portion of our English with our History learning.

The children will develop their reading skills in Guided Reading three times a week. They will take home a corresponding book each week, which must be returned on Friday; ready for the following week. During these sessions the children will apply their phonics knowledge and develop prosody and comprehension skills.

#### Maths:

The children have daily maths lessons where they will deepen their understanding on:

**Addition and Subtraction within 20**

**Place Value within 50**

**Length and height**

**Mass and Volume**

### Learning in other areas of the curriculum:

**Music:** Sound patterns linked to a fairy tale topic, using voices and instruments. Musical Vocabulary.

**DT:** Designing their own moving picture book.

**Art:** Colour Splash - making colours

**PSHE:** What rules are; caring for others needs; looking after the environment.

**Handwriting:** Practising number formation and capital letters.

**Science:** Forces and Animals including Humans.

**History:** The life of Queen Elizabeth II.

**Geography:** Contrasting locations - what is special about Guernsey?

**P.E.:** Invasion Games, Gymnastics, Yoga.

**R.E.:** Christianity and Easter.

**French:** Introductions and greetings, numbers.

**Computing:** Introduction to block coding.

### Learning at Home:

Please see our new [Home Learning Guide](#). This outlines the expectations of home learning for each year group and ideas for how to achieve them.

### Generic Weekly Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning 1	Phonics Reading English Handwriting	Phonics English Number Sense	Phonics Reading R.E. Handwriting	Phonics Guided English Number Sense	Phonics Reading English Handwriting
Morning 2	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
Afternoon	P.E. PSHE	Computing Science	P.E. English	Music History	Library D.T.

### General Information:

- P.E. kit is needed on Mondays and Wednesdays - shorts, t-shirts, trainers and jewellery removed.
- Every day children need: snack, water, lunch, coat.
- Fridays - Please return library books to be changed and numbered reading books.

### Dates for your diary:

Please keep an eye on Dojo for additional dates throughout the year.

Half Term - Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February

Comic Relief - Friday 20th March

Parents Evening - Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th March

End of Term (Finish at 1pm) - Friday 27th March

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