



Class 2 Spring 1 2026 Newsletter

Message from Class Teacher

Happy New Year! And I hope you are enjoying the snow, the children certainly did on the first day back!

The year is flying by and we have some exciting topics with which to engage the children,

Homework books will continue to be given out on Thursdays, due back by the following Wednesday, The information required will be listed on the front page - it will not always require additional sheets. Spelling tests continue on Tuesdays (starting 13th January). Please also remember to initial the Reading Records when you listen to reading at home. To make the required progress and embed their phonic learning (related to the book level your child is reading), we recommend reading each book 3 times and reading 5 times a week.

With thanks, Miss Bowen

~History~

As NASA plans the first crewed Moon mission in 50 years with the Artemis II program, we will be learning about Neil Armstrong and the Moon Landing in 1969 and challenging ourselves with questions such as why did they risk their lives, how did they get there and back safely, and what did they do there? Finally, the children will consider, would they take a 'Golden Ticket' and fly to the moon?

~Reading and Literacy~

We continue to practise the correct letter formation in our handwriting lessons and we need to remember that you start to write all letters from the top (not the bottom!).

Our reading skills are forging ahead in Phonics, as we continue to learn our Set 2 and Set 3 phonic sounds.

Our new Literacy book focuses on story telling - using our imaginations and creativity.

~PE~

This half-term we will be learning various skills required for good balance, coordination and agility

~Mathematics~

In maths, we are extending our learning of numbers up to 20, including all those tricky teens! We will then revisit addition and subtraction, this time using our numbers to 20.

~PSHE~

We will be learning about our physical health and how we can look after our body.

~Art~

This half-term our topic is Heroes and Villains with a focus on drawing skills. We will look at artists such as Dürer and Da Vinci and their use of facial expressions and gestures to get across character traits.

~Science~

This half term we will continue the topic of Animals, learning about animals with backbones (vertebrates) and the further classification within vertebrates of mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians.

~Music~

We will be listening to music, discovering that it is made up of high and low sounds, long and short sounds, and loud and quiet sounds. Exploring this further, we will create our own simple melodies.

~R.E~

We continue with Christianity and our big question this half-term is: What do Christians believe God is like?

~Computing~

We will be learning simple programming skills, enabling robots to move.

~COJO~

This term, our missions will be helping Simba (Disney's Lion King) regain his throne!