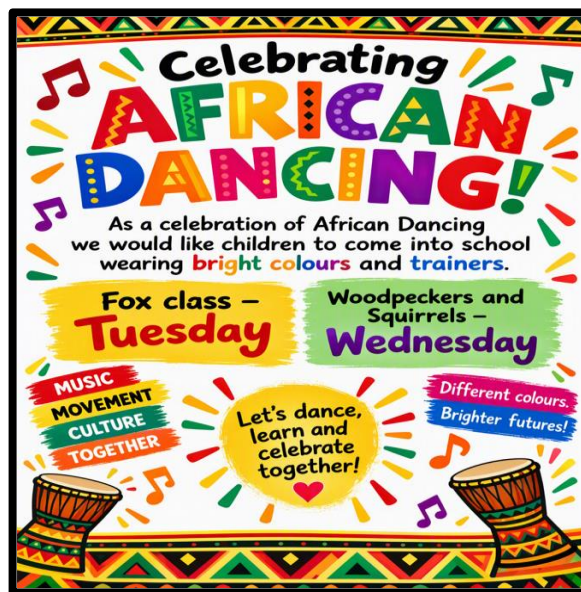


Year 1 Newsletter

Week Beginning Monday 12th October 2026

African Dance Workshop



Key Dates

Monday 12th October – Harvest

Tuesday 13th October- Parents consultations

Thursday 15th October- Parents consultations

Half term Monday 19th October – Children return Monday 2nd November.

Monday 9th November – Come and Read – straight after drop off.

Monday 16th – Friday 20th November – Friendship Week.

Reminders

- Please make sure clothing is named, particularly jumpers and coats.
- Please ensure any snack from home is only fresh fruit or vegetables which are already cut for the children to eat.
- Spelling books will be sent home on a Monday (after the quiz) but please do make sure they come back to school for our quiz on Friday. Spend time with your child practising the words for the week, ready for the quiz on Friday
- Please support reading with your child - little and often is very important in the early stages of reading. A few pages of a book every day at home is ideal. Please record your comments on Boom Reader – if you need your child's log in again, please speak to their class teacher.
- Please continue to use 'Doodle Maths' – it is a fantastic way to help support your children with their maths learning. Log ins have been sent home again this week – they are the same as they were in Reception.

PE

Children should arrive at school in their PE kit. Our PE kits consist of a **white PE t-shirt** and **dark green or black jogging bottoms (or shorts)**. They should also wear a **pair of trainers with a good grip**. No football kits or large branded logos please.

Our PE days are as follows:

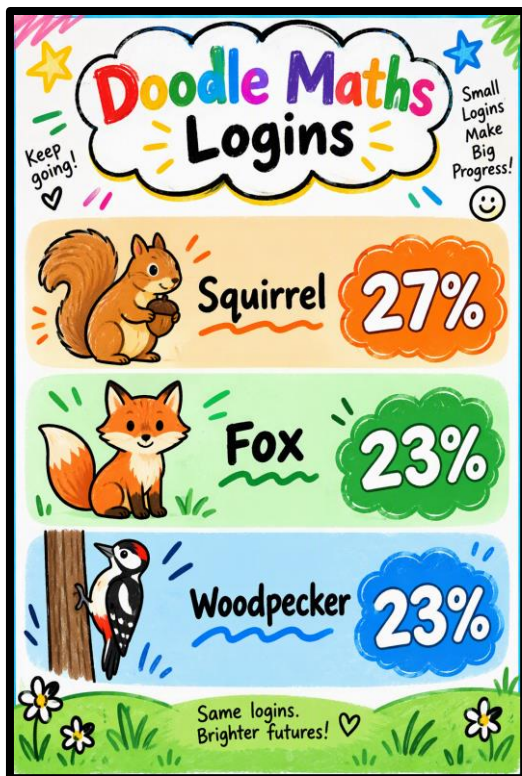
Woodpeckers- Tuesday **Squirrels-** Monday **Foxes-** Wednesday

Reading books

Your child should have come home with a school reading book on Friday. Please take the time to read this with your child and make sure you upload a comment onto Boom reader for their teacher to see how they are getting on with reading at home. Remember to make sure your child returns the books on Friday so that they can have another book to read for the following week!

Library books – these also need to be returned on a Thursday for Squirrel class and a Friday for Fox and Woodpecker.





doodle Autumn Competition!

Can you earn 250 stars in DoodleMaths?

Between the 19th of October – 20th of November, DoodleLearning is running an exciting event where your child could win 1 of 10 Doodle goodie packs!

Earn 250 stars in DoodleMaths

19th October – 20th November

Receive a **printable certificate** and an exclusive **in-app badge!**

Enter the prize draw to **WIN** a **Doodle goodie pack!**

10 winners will be selected at random.

Log on to DoodleMaths regularly and do a little bit each time!

AUTUMN WALK

Year 1 Autumn Adventure

Just a friendly reminder to please complete the consent form for our **Year 1 Autumn Walk on Tuesday 10th November** if you haven't already done so.

Can you help us?

We would also be grateful to know if you are available to volunteer and accompany us on the walk. If you are able to help, please let us know on the form.

Thank you for your continued support.

EXPLORE
DISCOVER
LEARN

CONSENT FORM

Homework

Reading:

It is important children get into a good routine, reading regularly both to aid their learning but also to develop a love of reading. The children will also bring home a book each week from the school library for them to read and also for you to read to them.

Bug Club:

Children will be allocated new books on bug club once we have completed initial assessments in class. Please continue to use this if you still have log in details from reception.

More details will be sent out once we have this up and running.



Year 1 spelling homework – Autumn 1, 2026

Spelling in Year 1:

Please see below for details of the weekly spelling words for Spring 1 term. The weekly spelling words are linked to our weekly spelling seeds lesson, so children learn spelling in a meaningful context and learn how to apply them in writing.

Spelling quiz will be on a Friday.

Way to help your child with spelling:

Read, Look, Cover, Write, Check - Read the word aloud, look at the spelling, cover the word, write the word without looking and then check to see if you were right. Your spelling quiz will be on Friday.

Challenge – *Can you think of any other words that have the similar pattern?
Can you use any of these words in a sentence?*

Here are some spelling games from this link to support your child learning spelling at home.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/words-and-spelling>

Autumn 1 Spelling

Test date	Friday 25.09	Friday 2.10	Friday 9.10	Friday 16.10
Learning objective & Spelling rules	Year 1 Common exception words	Year 1 Common exception words	Year 1 Common exception wors	Year 1 Common exception words
Spelling seeds words	the do to today of <u>said</u> <u>says</u> are	was his has you no go so we	she he be they your by <u>my</u> here	<u>where</u> love come some one ask friend
Science words	seasons change	Autumn Winter	Spring Summer tree	leaf leaves evergreen

Our key learning for this week!

English

In English we will be starting our new text called 'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin. We will focus on retrieving details about characters feelings and expressing these using role play. We will be recalling information from the text using 'and' to join ideas. We will also be learning to use adjectives to describe a setting from the story.

Maths

We will be continuing our new topic, Addition and Subtraction (within 10). We will be continuing to use part whole numbers. Please use Top Marks to help with continue your child's Maths at home. [Topmarks](https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=16&AgeGroup=2)
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=16&AgeGroup=2>

Science

In Science, we will be continuing our 'Seasonal Change' topic and pretending to be weather reporters – using scientific vocabulary!

Art

In Art we will be planning and creating our final piece of Art using the work of 'Alma Thomas' as inspiration.

PE

In PE we will be taking part in games to develop our ball control skills.



**With Lots of Smiles and a
BIG Thank You from the Year 1
Team!**



Phase 2

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