



# Year 1 Newsletter

## Spring Term 1 2026



**Happy New Year!** We hope that you managed to have some celebrations over the Christmas Holiday and that your children have rested. Here is some information that we hope you will find useful for this term, please come and talk to us if you have any queries or questions. **Thank you ☺**



**Please come and see us if you have any worries or concerns.**

**Mrs Potts, Mrs Williams, Mrs Brown, Miss Bate and Mrs Amos are here to help in any way we can.**



**Reading** As some of the reading books are becoming longer you may not complete the whole book in one evening, however ***please send in your child's reading book everyday*** as we have a 20-minute quiet reading session daily where your child will be able to continue reading their book. Please continue to question your child's comprehension of their reading book and encourage them to read with increasing fluency.



### Maths

Please continue to support your child at home by playing games that involve counting, adding, subtracting. Encourage the children to explain how they know that they have the correct answer. We start the term by focusing on 2D and 3D shapes, repeating patterns and symmetry before moving onto composition of number, addition and subtraction.



### Wider curriculum

**Geography** will focus on the UK, its capital cities and the surrounding seas, 'Where do I live?'. In **Art**, we will be looking at colour and how to make new colours, 'can we make all the colours of the rainbow?'. In **Music** we are going to be singing Seasonal songs and making machine noises, 'can you keep a steady beat?' In **Science** this term we will be focusing on materials and exploring their properties, 'what should I use for an umbrella?'. **Computing** will focus on being safe on the internet and what do to if we feel afraid, 'How can I be safe online?'



### RE - Christianity

In RE this term we will be focusing on the Gospels and the Good news that Jesus brings. We will talk about stories in the Bible and our schools' Christian values. 'What is the good news Jesus brings?'

If you need to talk to us at any time please call the office on 01233 622673. Alternatively email us: year1@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk



### PSHE/JIGSAW

In Jigsaw this term we will be looking at our 'Dreams and Goals' for the future. This will include working on resilience, setting goals, working with others successfully, overcoming obstacles and celebrating successes. 'What sort of person do you want to be?'

**PE** Please send children dressed for PE. Timetabled P.E. sessions for Year 1 are:

**1A – Wednesday and Friday**

**1B – Monday and Thursday**

**Please ensure children do not wear earrings to school on these days unless they can remove them on their own.**



### Winter clothing

As the weather changes, please send your child with an appropriate **named** coat and jumpers etc. Please, also, clearly label hats, gloves and scarves should your child need them. The children are responsible for their own items and should be able to dress themselves.



### Independence

– This term we will be encouraging the children to further develop their independence by emptying their own bookbags – removing any letters, reading books etc. They will also be responsible for collecting items at the end of the day, including water bottles and reading books.

***Please remember that children are only allowed plain water in their class bottles. Snacks must be fruit or vegetables and all items need to be clearly labelled. Thank you.***

### Important dates:

- 16<sup>th</sup> January – PFA school disco
- 6<sup>th</sup> February – Reports home to parents
- 6<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> February - Book Fair
- 10<sup>th</sup> February - Safer Internet Day
- 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> February - Parent Consultations
- 12<sup>th</sup> February - 1A class assembly at 10am
- 13<sup>th</sup> February - Open classrooms
- 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February - Staff development day

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