



Year 1

Spring Newsletter

January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all. It is wonderful to see the children again after the winter break. They have all settled back into their routines amazingly!

Reading

The children will continue to take part in group reading sessions four times a week, where all children will work with an adult to focus upon their reading skills. Children will be given books to take home every week (no reading records are given in KSI). We will continue to collect reading books on a Thursday and hand out new books on the Friday.

PE

We will have PE sessions on a Monday and Tuesday (Amiee's class) and Wednesday and Thursday (Peter's class). Please make sure that children come to school in their PE kit and that they also have suitable footwear to do the activities comfortably and safely. T-shirts can be purchased through Sharon in the office.

English

The children will continue to focus on using full stops, capital letters, finger spaces between their words and using their sounds to spell phonetically plausible words. This term will begin to adapt familiar stories (by changing the characters and settings), learn more features of information texts, write diary entries and letters, as well as creating and performing poetry.

Maths

This term we will continue to develop the children's understanding of place value with 2-digit numbers, addition and subtraction, and how these concepts are related to each other.

Children will also explore topics in measurement, including mass, volume, length and height.

Science

This term, we will explore the human body and animals. Children will learn the functions of different parts of the human body, including the vital organs and organs used for sense. Children will also explore the requirements for a healthy diet. Children will identify and sort animals by classification (mammal, reptile etc.) and by their diet (carnivore, herbivore). They will also compare the structures of different animals bodies.

History

During Spring 2, the children will learn about dinosaurs. Children will use timelines as an approach to the concept of prehistory and we will explore how evidence is found of events before human existence. Children will also sort dinosaurs based on the era of prehistory they are from. Additionally, the children will learn about different types of dinosaurs. We will further their learning by looking at competing theories on how the dinosaurs became extinct.

Snacks

Every morning, the children will be given a piece of fruit during playtime. Children are also encouraged to stay hydrated throughout the day, so children should all come in to school with **a bottle of water** every day.

If you need to contact us regarding your child's education or wellbeing, please email us at pbaldwin@wtwschool.co.uk or amurray@wtwschool.co.uk

Any urgent messages that need to be dealt with on the same day, must be telephoned through to the school office.