



YEAR ONE



AUTUMN TERM 1 2026

Welcome back!

We hope you all had a lovely summer. We are looking forward to a busy and exciting half term. This letter will outline what the children will be learning.

English

Our book focus will be **Cave Baby** by Julia Donaldson and **Astro Girl** by Ken Wilson-Max.

The children will learn:

- Make predictions about the texts
- Write captions
- Write simple sentences
- To use adjectives in a sentence
- Explore features of a non-fiction text

Maths

We follow the White Rose scheme of work. This half term the children will be learning;

- Count to 100 and beyond
- Read and write numbers to 20
- Identify 1 more and 1 less
- Use language more than and most
- Introduce the part whole model

Science

During our **Animals including humans** unit, the children will be learning;

- To name the body parts
- The 5 senses
- Seasonal changes - focusing on Autumn

As part of our science curriculum, **Rosen Class** will be taking part in Forest School. A separate letter will follow.

DT

Children will investigate stable shapes and use an understanding of balance to discover how wide or heavy bases improve stability in free standing structures.

They will go onto designing and making their own pencil pot holder.



PSHE

Children will recognise and name a range of emotions. They will learn to identify facial and body clues linked to feelings.





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Geography

Children will learn to;

- Locate features on an aerial map of the local area
- Know the name of the country we live in
- Know the name of the town or village they live in
- Create a simple map

RE

During this unit, children will learn about;

- What Christians believe about God the Creator
- What God's character is like
- Why God rested
- What it means to look after God's creation

Computing

We use Purple Mash for our computing lessons. Your child will be given login details where you will be able to see the work they have completed at school. We will begin by teaching the children how to login safely and understand why it is important to not share passwords. Children will explore the paint tools to paint pictures and learn how to save their work.

Music

Children will learn to:

- Clap the rhythm of their name in time to the pulse
- Copy rhythms based on word patterns using an instrument
- Keep the pulse while playing a rhythm on an instrument

PE

Jeffers Class PE is on **Mondays**
Rosen Class PE is on **Wednesdays.**

Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit. Please ensure long hair is tied back.

Reading and Homework

Children will change their reading books every **Monday.**

Library day is on **Tuesday.** Every child will be able to take home a fiction book and a non-fiction book. These books are to be shared together to help develop a love of reading. Homework grids will be sent home this week. Please see the information on the sheet for further guidance.

