



Y1 News Autumn 2 2025



Welcome back after the half term holiday. Hopefully you've all had a wonderful break. We are looking forward to another exciting term in Year 1, filled with lots of engaging activities as we head towards Christmas.

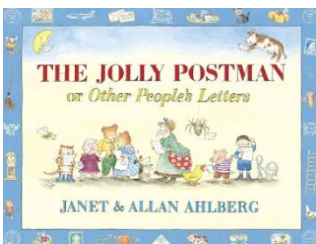
Maths



In Year 1 we use the White Rose Mastery approach to teaching Maths. Children will spend longer on each topic, called a small steps approach with the aim of mastering the learning and then moving on to using and applying the maths in problems. Children will be learning Addition and Subtraction within 10 before moving on to Place Value within 20. Mastering Number will continue to be taught in the afternoons.

Literacy

This term some of our Literacy will be based around the book 'The Jolly Postman' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg.



We will also be developing our language and communication skills using talk for writing and Readers Theatre. We will also continue to develop fine motor skills and our handwriting using Penpals. We will continue to use 'Sounds Write' as we prepare the children for their phonics screening check in June 2026.



Reading

We recommend children read at home to an adult for 10 minutes per day. Please write a comment in their reading record so each read can be counted towards the reading challenge total. Prizes and certificates are given out for 40 reads. We have a reading challenge display on the classroom wall which shows how children are getting on with their challenge. We will post on Class Dojo about how well the class is doing in reaching 40 reads.

Website and Dojo

You can find out more useful information on our class page on the school website. Including our curriculum plan for the term and homework challenges. Thank you for signing up to Class Dojo. We will update you regularly with news, photos and useful information.

PE

This term for PE we will be doing Drumba and catching and throwing in our Ball Skills topic. Children need to come to school in suitable PE kit on Tuesday and Friday for Mrs Mabbott and Mr Johnson. Please ensure PE kit has names written in.

Topic

Our topic this term is What do I know about the UK and where I live? Children will learn about our local area as well as the four UK countries, surrounding seas, capital cities as well as towns and cities around Long Eaton.

Science

In science we will be asking 'How do seasons change?' Children will learn about the changes that take place as we move through Autumn and Winter. We will be having a walk along the canal on Monday 10th November to look at the changes around us.

Diary Dates

- Thurs 6th Nov – Outdoor Learning Classroom Day
- Mon 10th Nov – Odd Sock Day
- Tues 25th/Wed 27th Nov – Parent's Evening
- Fri 14th Nov – Children in Need
- Thurs 20th Photo Day
- Tues 9th Nov – visit to St John's Church
- Thurs 11th Dec – Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day
- Mon 15th Dec – Christmas Crafts Day
- Tues 16th Dec – Christmas Party am
- Fri 19th Dec – end of term