



Y1 News Spring 1 2026



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

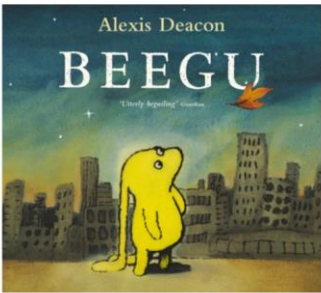
Maths



We will continue using 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. Using the White Rose Maths scheme we will look at Place Value to 20 and Addition and Subtraction to 20. Mastering Number will continue to be taught in the afternoons.

English

This term some of our Literacy will be based around the book Beegu by Alexis Deacon.



We will also be developing our language and communication skills using talk for writing and Readers Theatre. We will 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.

Year 1 Webpage

You can find out more useful information on our Year 1 webpage on the school website. Including our curriculum plan for the term and homework challenges.

PE

This term for PE we will be doing Gymnastics – body parts and Ball skills for Outdoor Games. Children need to come to school in suitable PE kit on Mondays and Fridays for Mrs Mabbott/Mr Bunhejee and Mr Johnson. Please ensure PE kit has names written in.

Topic

In topic we will be learning; 'Who were and are the famous people of Nottingham and the UK?'. Children will learn about famous people from Nottingham, Derby and the UK.

Science

In science we will be asking 'What are the materials around us called?' Children will learn about different materials, their properties and uses.

Class Dojo

Thank you for signing up to Class Dojo. We will update you regularly with news, photos and useful information.

Diary Dates

- Monday 19th January – World Religion Day;
- Friday 23rd January – Longmoor Loves Reading Day – non-uniform day;
- Tuesday February 10th – Safer Internet Day;
- Friday 13th February – end of term;