

Dovedale Primary School

Welcome back—Autumn 2026

Please read on for more information about what to look forward to this term and how you can support your child.

What's happening this term?

Maths

We will continue with the new maths mastery approach, it has shown to increase the children's confidence and fluency in all areas of maths. This term we hope to have covered—in depth—the following areas of maths learning:

Autumn 1	Numbers 10 to 100 and calculations within 20
Autumn 2	Fluently add and subtract within 10 Addition and subtraction of two-digit numbers

The maths homework platform is called Sumdog. Teachers will set homework on a Friday and will be available for a week, linked to the learning in class. Parents can download the APP.



Reading

In school, children will participate in daily phonic lessons. They will bring home two books closely matched to the sounds they have been exposed to in class. Children who have exited the RWI programme will bring a book home of their choosing. Just a few minutes reading with your child each day makes a huge difference! Please ensure your child has their reading book in school on a Wednesday so their reading books can be changed, they will be returned back on Thursday.

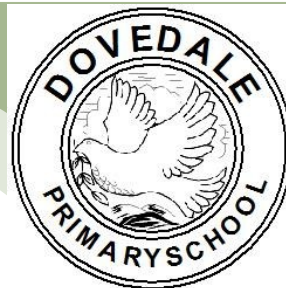
Writing

Three texts will provide the stimulus for writing during the autumn term. After studying *A River*, children will write a circular narrative. Following their exploration of *Leo and the Octopus*, children will write a friendship narrative. Finally, after reading *The Night Gardener*, children will write a diary entry and a recount based on the events of the story.



Please do not share/read these stories to children prior to us looking at them in school as it ruins the excitement/build up at times.

'Imagine, Believe, Achieve'



Science

We will be focusing on materials in Science this term. We will work on identifying and comparing the suitability of a variety of everyday materials including: wood, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard. We will also find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching

Art

The focus for this term is drawing skills. We will focus on outlines, shadows and shading techniques. We will use the work by Peter H Reynolds as inspiration.

History



We will be focusing on The Great Fire of London which is a significant event beyond living memory.

Geography

We will be focusing on the different continents and oceans around the world. We will identify parts of the world that are hot and cold and the reasons why this is the case. Children will also learn a range of ways we can look after the environment.



P.E

Children will be receiving PE lessons from their class teacher, as well as a member staff from LSP. Children will arrive into school on Tuesday in PE kits. We will develop our dance and choreography skills through learning the Lumberjack Hoedown as well as enhancing our fitness skills in a variety of exercises.

Class Dojo

We will continue to communicate with parents through the Class Dojo App, where you can see posts of children's work or other information about the learning.



ClassDojo

School website

For more detailed information on all subjects, visit the year 2 class page and curriculum pages at: www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk