



Year 1 Summer Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It's been a fantastic start to the new term, and I'm so impressed with how quickly the children have jumped back into their learning. There is so much to look forward to, and I'm excited to see what they achieve next.



Our Weekly Schedule

- **Monday:** Forest School (Morning)
- **Tuesday:** PE Session & Reading books changed
- **Thursday:** PE Session



What We Are Learning

Subject	Focus for the Term
Reading	Poetry: <i>Please Don't Feed the Animals</i> . Core Text: <i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i> (focusing on diary entries).
Writing	Poetry: Identifying rhyme, using descriptive adjectives, and drafting four-line stanzas. Grammar: Sequencing days of the week, using capital letters for proper nouns, and building expanded sentences using "and."
Maths	Place Value: Counting and partitioning to 100. Fractions: Finding halves and quarters of shapes and quantities. Applied Maths: Introduction to multiplication/division (2s, 5s, 10s), money, and time.
Science	Plants & Trees: Identifying wild/garden plants and deciduous/evergreen trees. Studying plant structures (roots, stems, leaves, flowers).
Geography	Migration: Following Floella Benjamin's journey from Trinidad to England. Using maps to compare UK and Caribbean climates and features.
Art & DT	Blossom Pictures: Exploring different media and mark-making techniques to represent the textures and colours of spring.
Computing	iPad Navigation: Learning to open apps and use the on-screen keyboard. Text Entry: Practising typing with the space bar and using the delete key to edit mistakes. Formatting: Using the toolbar to change text style (bold, italic, underline) and exploring different fonts.



Key Information for Home

- **Reading:** We encourage 10-15 minutes of daily reading. Please record sessions in reading journals.
- **Phonics:** Daily 30-minute lessons. Look out for reinforcement activities sent home.
- **PE Uniform:** Bolshaw T-shirt, shorts, and trainers. Please provide joggers for colder weather.
- **Forest School:** Wellies/boots and waterproofs are required every Monday.
- **Label Everything:** Please ensure all clothing and kits are clearly named.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Smith