Year 1 Class Newsletter - Autumn 2

Adults working with the class: Miss Lawrence, Miss Burns, Miss Little and Miss Willis (Student Teacher)

It has been a pleasure to welcome back the children this half term. We have an exciting 7 weeks ahead, full of new learning and Christmas preparation!

Writing	Key Text: Femi the Fox, A pot of Jollof Grammar: Expanded noun phrases / Imperative verbs / Plural nouns / Coordinating conjunctions (and) / Questions Writing Genres: Setting description / Instructions / Narrative retell
Reading	The children will continue to read phonetically decodable texts, suitable to their level of phonics attainment. They will also continue to develop comprehension skills by answering a range of retrieval questions
Maths	Topics Covered this half term: - Counting patterns to 100 - Part-part-whole relationships - Composition to 5 - Shape
Humanities	Topic: Nigeria and the UK Key Question: Why is the weather in the UK different to Nigeria?
Science	Scientific Discipline: Chemistry Topic: Everyday Materials Key Question: What are the best materials to make wellies out of?
RE	Topic: Christianity Key Question: Why is each person important in the Nativity story?
D&T /Art	Topic: Structures Key Question: Design, make and evaluate a stable bridge for the Three Billy Goats Gruff to cross safely.
Oracy	Debate Statement: What is the difference between England and Nigeria? Debate Day Date: **Friday 4th December 2026**
Computing	Topic: Multimedia - Graphics
PSHE	Topic: Celebrating Differences
Forest School	Date: **Thursday 3rd December 2026** Forest School is a new and exciting opportunity for the children to engage with learning outdoors. On this day, please ensure **that children come to school wearing clothes that you don't mind getting a little wet and muddy. Wellie boots and waterproof jackets would be ideal.** Children **do not need to wear their school uniform** on this day.

	Please note – As this is a lesson taking place on the grounds of another school, we are limited to take only 2 additional adults. These will be by invite only, and will be rotated to ensure that different parents/carers get the opportunity to take part in the session in the terms ahead.
Home Learning	Weekly homework will now be uploaded to Google Classroom on **Monday afternoons**, to allow the children a full week to practise their spelling words
Dates for your Diary:	- Parents Evening: 19/11/26 - Y1 Class Assembly: 20/11/26 - Christmas Decoration Day: 27/11/26 - Forest School: 03/12/26 (Volunteers by invite only) - Debate Day: 04/12/26 - Christmas Lunch: 15/12/26 - Performance @ Saint Church: 16/12/26 - Last day of term: 18/12/26 @ 12pm
Ways to Support Your Child at Home	Suggested Activities: - Identifying and writing name independently, with capital letter to start - Letter formation, using the pre-cursive form - Number formation - Phonics practise (https://www.youtube.com/@MissPhonics) Suggested Outings: - Autumnal walks (observing changes in nature)