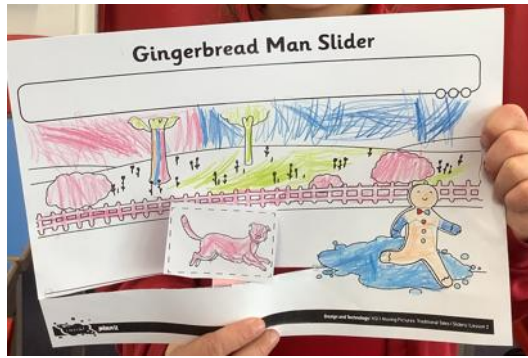


Year 1 Newsletters – Summer Term

Hooray! We are entering summer term. It is hard to believe we are in the final term of Year 1. The children have made some fantastic progress and it is so lovely to reflect back on the learning and activities we have done since autumn term. We are very proud.

What we have been learning:

- **Phonics**- we have continued with our Little Wandle Scheme of learning. We have almost completed Year 1, where we have been learning that some sounds can be written in lots of different ways!
- **Reading Practice**- We have been reading 3 days a week and improving our fluency and comprehension skills.
- **Maths** – We have been learning to work with numbers within 50. We have been learning to find doubles, how to use number bonds to subtract and add, how to use related facts and different ways to represent adding and taking away.
- **Science**- We enjoyed a visit from Explorer Dome where the children learnt about light. We have been on a sound walk around school to find out where the noisiest and quietest places in the school are! Year R and Year 6 were quite noisy!
- **Geography** – We have been learning all about the British Isles and their capital cities. Did you know that Edinburgh and Belfast are quite hilly?! We have also looked at how we could travel to these places. We learnt that if we walked to Edinburgh, it would take nearly 6 days!
- **Computing** – We have been programming the Beebots to move in different directions and paths and have also looked at grouping data.
- **History** – We have been learning about monarchs! We have learnt about Queen Elizabeth I, Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II.
- **Art**- We have studied the artist Jean Metzinger and created our own landscapes inspired by his work!
- **DT**- We have been learning about sliders and levers. We have been planning our own moving picture!
- **PE**-In PE we have been developing our skills in throwing and catching. We have been developing these skills through a range of activities.
- **RE** – We have been learning about happiness and sadness. We looked at the sad and happy parts of the Easter story and why Easter is important to Christians.



This term, we will be learning...

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Learning</u>
Phonics:	We will be completing our phonics scheme and recapping any sounds that we have found tricky. Please visit https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/ for more information. We will also be taking part in the phonics screening check. Keep an eye out for more information re the Phonics Screening Check.
Reading	We are continuing to read 3x a week to develop our fluency, prosody and comprehension. Every child should now have a login to our E-library. Please let us know if you have any issues.
Writing	We will be reading Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers, Yeti and the bird where the theme is kindness and friendship. We will then finish by reading Lulu Gets a Cat to create our own information text.
Maths	We will continue working with numbers within 50. By the end of year we will be looking at the place value of numbers to 100. We will spend some time working with measures where we will have lots of fun weighing and measuring different objects.
Science	We will be learning about the basic needs of animals and humans and finding out about how we can change the shape of solids by twisting, bending, squashing and stretching.
RE	Our concept will be God and we will be looking at how Christians and Hindus see God/Gods and understand why they are valuable to them.
History/Geography	In Geography we will be looking at maps and how to use them. In History we will be focusing on the Wright brothers, who were Americans who invented, built and flew the world's first successful motor-operated aeroplane. Keep an eye out for information about our school trip to Solent Skies Museum.
DT/Art	In DT we will be exploring healthy snacks and making our own sandwiches. In Art we will be studying the artist Lynn Flavell and focusing on printing and sculpting to create patterns.
Computing	We will be learning to use the computers to help group and sort different data and information.

Key Dates

- Wednesday 21st May – Year 1 trip to Solent Skies Museum
- Week commencing Monday 9th June- Year 1 Phonics Screening
Check- keep an eye out for more information.
- Thursday 19th June- provisional date for Sports Day (weather permitting)
- Friday 16th May 2025- INSET day
- Friday 20th June 2025- INSET day