



Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Thursday 6th November, 2025

Years 1 and 2

What did we learn last half term?

The children in Key Stage One had a fantastic start to the year last half term and we are really looking forward to what this half term brings.

We were straight into Harvest Festival rehearsals in September which was great fun! The children really enjoyed learning the songs, rehearsing their lines and working as a phase team. Thank you to those who managed to support us at the church for our performance—it meant a lot to us and the children. Thank you also for the food donations which have been used to support those in need.



We are focussing on developing our oracy skills—the skill of listening and responding with manners and consideration for others. The children have enjoyed activities designed to encourage accurate listening and working together as a team.



What we are learning this half term

We're excited to continue our theme for this half term that is linked to the book:

Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers

In Writing we will be learning about the features of a letter and will write a letter from the main character in our book to the penguin. We will also be developing our use of adjectives and expanded noun phrases as we write a description of the characters in our book. In maths we will focus on counting in steps of 2, 5 and 10, moving on to times tables recall and solving problems involving multiplication. In Design Technology we will be developing our design skills as we plan and make our own pop-up cards. We will continue to develop oracy skills as we take part in a weekly discussion, learn how to consider the opinions of others, reflect and vote—the beginnings of understanding democracy.

What Can You Do to Help at Home?

In Year 1/2, your weekly homework will include:

- Six spellings to learn (these will be given on a Friday and tested the following Friday).
- Three reads.
- Practising Y1/2 Common Exception Words - reading and writing

This half term our PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays

Please remember to send a reusable water bottle in for your child

Dates for Your Diary

Mon 10th - Fri 14th November:	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 10th November:	Odd Socks Day
Tuesday 11th November:	Remembrance Day
Tuesday 11th November:	Nasal Flu Vaccine catch-up
Friday 14th November:	Children in Need
Monday 17th November:	Hull KR Super League Grand Final Trophy Visit
Wednesday 26th November:	Y1/2 Visit to The Deep
Monday 15th December:	Inspire Afternoon
Tuesday 16th December:	Carols to Parents
Wednesday 17th December:	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 17th December:	Christmas Party Afternoon
Thursday 18th December:	Magic Carpet Theatre Company
Friday 19th December:	Talent Show
Friday 19th December:	Last day before winter break
Mon 22nd Dec - Mon 5th Jan:	Winter holiday
Monday 5th January:	INSET Day (school closed for pupils)
Tuesday 6th January:	School re-opens after winter break