Let's celebrate!

Year 1

Term 2 - Autumn 2026/27

Mrs Barnett and Miss Phillips

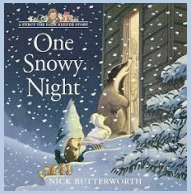


Phonics, Reading and Writing

Through the Read Write Inc scheme, children will be working in their phonics groups to practise their focus sounds. They will also complete writing, spelling and grammar tasks.

Storytime: Listen and respond to a poem about fireworks and Bonfire Night. Investigate rhyming words.

Listen and respond to One Snowy Night (and other stories from the Percy the Park Keeper series) by Nick Buttersworth.



PE

Ball skills: Throwing, catching, rolling and kicking; begin to link movements.
Dance and movement: Christmas production.

History – Gunpowder Plot; The History of St Andrew's Church

Sequence the events of the Gunpowder Plot; learn who Guy Fawkes was and why we celebrate Bonfire Night. Investigate how life was in 1605 compared to now.

Explore the history of our local church and how it has changed over time.

Computing

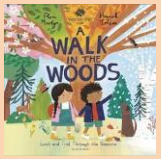
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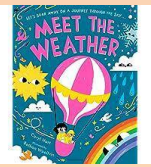
Science – Seasonal changes

Investigate the four seasons and identify weather patterns. What happens to daylight during the seasons?
How is weather different across the world? (Geography link)

Observe seasonal changes during walks around our school grounds.

Books: A Walk in the Woods; Meet the Weather





Global Goal Number 1: No poverty
What do gifts mean to us? If you had no money, what gift could you give? What is Christmas like for those less fortunate?

Christian Value – Respect and Reverence

John 15:15
I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

Collective Worship
Whole school Collective Worship will be on Wednesdays and Fridays. KS1 Collective Worship is on Monday, focusing on our value. Class collective worship is on Thursdays.

French
This term we will be learning our ages, asking 'how are you?' and a Christmas song.

Music
Christmas production
Learn celebration songs by heart. Identify rhythm and beat. Sing, clap and perform in time.

Maths

Addition and subtraction within 10
Add using part-whole models; adding together and adding more. Understand fact families (2+3=5; 3+2=5; 5-2=3; 5-3=2). Embed number bonds to 10. Subtraction by crossing out, counting back, and finding the difference.

Geometry – Shape Identifying, sorting and exploring the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

RE – Christianity
Celebrations – the Christmas story. Why does Christmas matter to Christians and what is the significance of giving gifts?

PSHE – Valuing Difference
What are our similarities and differences? Can you think of any differences in personality as well as appearances?

D&T – Christmas stockings

Design, sew and evaluate a Christmas stocking with decorations.

How you can help…
Please prioritise reading with and to your child daily, whether the school phonics books, library books, or even shopping lists. You may need to repeat some books to support their fluency and build confidence.
Please ensure your child hands in their reading folder every day.
Support your child with any set homework which supports their learning in the termly topics.