

Friday 17th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you had a lovely, relaxing break and look forward to a busy and fun-filled term ahead!

Please find attached a copy of our Topic Web for Summer 1, which explains what we will be covering in each subject area this half term. We have also attached Knowledge Organisers for our topics on 'What is Great about the United Kingdom?' and 'Plants'.

Just a reminder that reading books will be changed on a Tuesday and Friday. On Tuesdays, the children have the opportunity to choose a book from our class library, and on Fridays, we will send home a 'Book Bag Book' linked to their phonics group. In addition, the children will bring home a phonics reading book each week, which is given out by their phonics teacher. Children in the red, green, purple, pink and orange groups will receive a new book every three days, whilst those in the yellow, blue and grey groups will receive a new book every five days.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Children in Year 1 throughout the country will be taking part in a Phonics Screening Check during the week commencing 8th June 2026. Results from the check are used by schools to analyse their own performance. We will do our very best to prepare the children in class and ensure that the test is an enjoyable experience. The results will be shared with you as part of the end-of-year report. Children who do not achieve the pass mark this year will have an opportunity to sit the test again in Year 2. If you would like to know more about the Phonics Screening Check, please do attend our upcoming Parent Workshop on Thursday, 7th May 2026, at 9 am.

Spelling

New spelling lists will be sent out this week. Please help the children to revise their words at home each week.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, 7th May 2026 – Phonics Screening Check (Parent Workshop) – 9 am

Wednesday, 24th June 2026 – Year 1 Trip to Godstone Farm

Caroline Barriball, Headteacher

As always, please do let us know if you have any questions or concerns, either by emailing the school office or contacting us on ClassDojo.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,
Year 1 Team

Caroline Barriball, Headteacher

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