

## Year 1 Class Bulletin Autumn Term 2026

Class teacher: Mrs Griffiths

Teaching Assistant: Mrs Adams

### A Message from Mr Hawes

Welcome Back! I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed some quality time with family and friends. As we begin the new academic year, I am delighted to welcome all of our children and families back to school, including those joining our school community for the very first time.

We are looking forward to another exciting year filled with learning, achievement and new opportunities. Our staff have been busy preparing for the term ahead, and we cannot wait to see the children settle into their new classes and continue to grow in confidence, knowledge and independence.

I would like to take this opportunity to share some important information regarding your child's class. Please take a few moments to read the information provided by the class teacher, as it contains key details about routines, expectations and learning for the term ahead.

Thank you for your continued support. Working together between home and school gives children the very best opportunity to thrive and achieve their potential.

### Curriculum

You can find further information about your child's curriculum and learning journey on our school website, where curriculum overviews for each subject are available.

This term, children will enjoy a broad and engaging curriculum across all subject areas. For example, in **Religious Education (RE)**, we will be exploring **Creation and Covenant**, where pupils will learn about beliefs surrounding the creation of the world and the special promises, or covenants, found within our Catholic faith.

### A message from Mrs Griffiths

Hello I hope you have all had a lovely summer and have managed to spend lots of time outside enjoying the weather. I have been spending lots of time in my garden and at parks by my house with my 2 children and my dog. We have loved going on lots of bike rides too. I am very excited to be teaching you this year and can't wait to have lots of fun learning new things!



If you have any questions please email the office who will pass these on to me or speak to the staff on the door. I am hoping that this can be put onto the fridge as a reminder of the things we do in our class.



### PE Days

PE lessons take place on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**.

Please ensure your child comes to school **dressed in their PE kit** on these days. This should include:

- White T-shirt
- Black shorts
- Trainers or pumps

During colder weather, children may wear **black jogging bottoms** and their **school jumper or cardigan** over their white T-shirt to help keep warm.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a **clean, clearly labelled water bottle** to school each day. Access to water

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Homework</u></b></p> <p><b>Maths Homework</b></p> <p>Each <b>Friday</b>, children will be set one section from their <b>Maths Workshop book</b> to complete at home. This homework should be returned <b>on or before the following Wednesday</b>.</p> <p>The purpose of the homework is to reinforce the learning that has taken place in class and provide an opportunity for children to practise and apply their mathematical skills independently.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Reading</u></b></p> <p><b>Reading at Home</b></p> <p>Reading regularly at home is one of the most important ways you can support your child's learning.</p> <p>We ask that your child reads with an adult <b>at least three times each week</b> and that each reading session is recorded in their <b>Reading Record</b>. Reading Records will be checked by the adults in class every week.</p> <p><b>Support and Communication</b></p> <p>We want every child to feel confident and successful in their learning. If your child finds any of the homework or tasks challenging, please encourage them to speak to <b>me or Mrs Adams</b>. We are always happy to help and provide any additional support they may need.</p>                             |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Newsletter – Stay Connected</u></b></p> <p>To keep up to date with everything happening in school, please visit our <b>new school website</b> and read our <b>weekly newsletter</b>, which is published every Friday.</p> <p>The newsletter includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Important school updates and reminders</li> <li>• Messages from Mr Hawes</li> <li>• Star Award winners and celebrations</li> <li>• PTA news and upcoming events</li> <li>• Local parish news</li> <li>• Helpful website links and resources for families</li> </ul> <p>Our newsletter is the best way to stay informed about school life and ensure you don't miss any important announcements throughout the year.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Behaviour – Merit Milestones and Rewards</u></b></p> <p>We are proud of the positive behaviour and effort shown by our pupils, and we love celebrating their achievements. Children will continue to receive <b>Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates</b> as they reach key merit milestones throughout the year.</p> <p>In addition, every time a child earns <b>25 merits</b>, they will receive a small class reward to recognise and celebrate their success.</p> <p>To help keep parents informed, children will receive a <b>sticker</b> each time they achieve a merit milestone. We encourage you to celebrate these achievements at home and talk with your child about the positive choices and hard work that helped them reach their goal.</p> |