

Year 1

News



Welcome to Spring Term

Welcome back, we hope you have all had a lovely festive break and we have enjoyed hearing all about the children's holidays. Last half term we had a great time learning all about festivals and celebrations and the seasonal changes that happen in the UK. This half term our Topic is Castles! We will be learning about the main features of a castle and why castles were built,



Upcoming Events

- 6 February - Number day
- 13 February - Windsor Castle trip @ 9:00am
- **13 February - Break up for half term**
- W/c 16 February - Half term
- **23 February - Inset day**
- W/c 9 March - Science week
- 10 March - Parents' evening - in-person appointments
- 12 March - Parents' evening - online appointments
- 23 March - Rocksteady concert
(for children who are part of Rocksteady)
- **27 March - Break up for half term - Finish at 1:30pm**
- **W/c 30 March - Easter holidays**
- **13 April - Back to school**

Keep an eye out for the weekly newsletter on a Friday to see other dates regarding any other events.

School Trips

Windsor castle - Friday 13 February 2026



Donations

Please could we kindly have donations of:

- recycling/ containers & tubes for junk modelling
- socks, underwear, leggings and joggers



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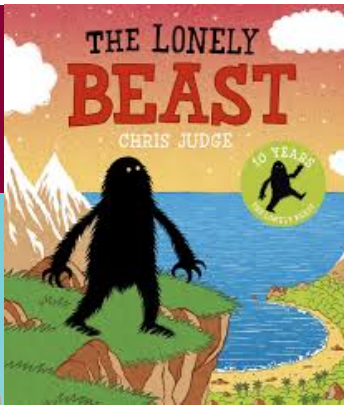


English

This half term our learning will be based around two wonderful books: The Egg Box Dragon and The Lonely Beast.

We will be developing our non-fiction writing skills by creating our own set of instructions on how to make an Egg Box Dragon. The children will also be learning how to use 'and' as a conjunction within sentences. Alongside this, we will be strengthening our fiction writing skills by writing a story inspired by The Lonely Beast and learning how to correctly apply the suffix 'ed' and 'ing'. Throughout all of English lessons we will be focusing on using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops correctly.

This half term we will be focusing on developing our handwriting and letter formation skills.



Maths

In Maths this half term we will be focusing and learning all about numbers and their place value within 20. The children will be gaining their full understanding of what each digit means in a 2 digit number and representing numbers of tens and ones. We will be developing our skills of counting on and using a number line. We will also be exploring and learning our number bonds to 20.

Topic

This half term our topic is Castles. We will be learning about the key features of a castle and exploring where different castles are located across the UK. In History, the children will discover what castles are and why they were built. In Art, we will be studying the artist Yayoi Kusama, using her work as inspiration to design and make our own dragon eyes using clay. In Science, our topic is Plants, where the children will learn about different types of plants and explore the stages of plant growth. In RE, we will be learning about the Christian Bible and discussing what it means within the Christian faith.

Numbers 1 to 20

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