



Year 1 Autumn 2

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Where a World of Opportunities Awaits

Our Creative Habit – Collaboration



English

This half term our model text is “Whatever Next”. Our fiction focus will be working on a journey tale and our non-fiction focus will be writing a recount.

Maths

Numbers to 20
Addition and Subtraction within 20
Length and Mass

Science

Everyday materials.

History

Toys.

Art

Spirals
Christmas Cards

Computing

Typing on a computer.

RE

How does a celebration bring a community together?

PE

Gymnastics

Welcome back to the second part of the Autumn Term. We are so proud of how the children have settled into Year 1 and all of the amazing learning they have completed so far. We are really looking forward to seeing their hard work and dedication continue throughout the second half of the Autumn Term.

So far in Autumn 1, the children have been working super hard on their writing of their cumulative story inspired by “The Enormous Turnip”. We have certainly enjoyed listening to the fantastic stories that the children have been busy innovating on their own, in small groups and within the Continuous Provision. The children have also enjoyed getting stuck into our DT, where we have been learning about fruit and vegetables. We are looking forward to carrying this over in the second part of the Autumn Term, where we will be designing and making our own vegetable soup.

We would also like to thank-you for attending our Reading Cafe. It was lovely to come together to talk about reading in Year 1 and supporting the children in preparation for the Phonics Screening Checks. We thank-you for your on-going support with engaging in the weekly phonics videos and the additional resources we have been sending home.



PSHE



This half term we are learning about celebrating our differences where we will discuss about diversity and how being different should be celebrated.



Our values this half term are –

Forgiveness and Kindness



Our Learning So Far...

School radio - <https://drake-school.broadcast.radio/>

Our class page - <https://www.drake.norfolk.sch.uk/2024-2025/>

This half term....

In the upcoming half term, we have many exciting opportunities coming up especially in the lead up to Christmas. This includes making Christmas Cards in Art, our whole school lantern parade and in Music we will be preparing our Christmas Assembly, which we will be delighted to showcase in December.

As part of our History Topic on "Toys", we have also have an exciting opportunity to visit the Ancient House Museum, where we will be able to develop our understanding of what "toys" looked like from the past compared to the present. This half term our over-arching theme will continue to be "Mine". In History, we will be exploring "toys" discussing how toys have changed over the years and what childhood looked like in the past compared to now. In PSHE, we will also be discussing ourselves as individuals, through considering the similarities and differences we have and the importance of us being unique.

Dates for Diary

12th, 13th, 14th November- Parent Consultations
29th November - Lantern Parade
6th Dec- Christmas Fair
10th Dec- Year 1 Christmas Assembly
12th Dec- Federation Panto trip
13th Dec- KS1 Christmas lunch
16th Dec- Christmas service at St Cuthbert's
19th Dec- Christmas Jumper Day
20th Dec- Last day of term. 1pm finish



Home Learning

Reading: Please listen to your child read, we are aiming for 7 reads every week. Remember to record any reading in your reading record. Please bring your reading record to school every day. Spellings: Spellings will be sent home in the children's reading diaries every Monday. Please find them attached under the "Words to learn section" of each weekly page. They will be tested the following Monday of each week. Phonics: Weekly Ruth Miskin Phonics Videos will be sent out via Tapestry. Please could you support your child in watching these videos. Additional resources will be sent out throughout the year in preparation for Phonics Screening in June 2025.

PE and Forest School

PE: PE sessions for both Rashford and Merian Class will be on a Tuesday afternoon. Please could you ensure that your child comes into school wearing the correct PE kit. This includes:
•House colour P.E t-shirt •Black shorts / jogging trousers •Plain sports trainers •Grey or white ankle socks
Forest Schools: Both Rashford and Merian Class will be attending Forest School this term on alternating Thursdays. Rashford Class will start their first session on Thursday 14th November 2024 and Merian Class will start their first session on Thursday 7th November 2024. Please could you ensure that when your child is attending Forest School they come appropriately dressed for all weathers, especially now we are heading into the Autumn. The clothing for Forest School includes:
• Long trousers and long sleeves • Old clothes as they may get muddy • Waterproof coat (in addition to their school coat) • Waterproof trousers