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Upcoming trip: Mudchute farm on Wednesday 18th March 2026.



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had a lovely and restful break. Thank you, as always, for your continued support throughout last half term.

This half term, our **R.E.** learning will focus on ourselves and what makes each of us special. Children will explore what is special to them, linking our learning to *The Lost Sheep* parable. As part of this topic, we will also talk about how adults help to keep us safe.

Our new **English** text this half term is *Anansi the Spider*, a traditional African folktale. Children will learn to map out the story using key events and pictures, step into the story, and retell it as part of our storytelling journey. They will internalise key language and story structure while building a rich bank of descriptive vocabulary.

In **Understanding the World**, we will be learning how to talk about important events from our past in sequence. We will then explore different modes of transport, what they are used for, and how we use them safely, such as boarding a bus. Children will also learn about features of our local environment and road safety, which we will revisit next half term during our visit to Mudchute Farm.

In **Think Equal**, we will focus on kindness—towards others and ourselves. Children will explore what kindness can look and feel like and how we can show this in our classroom. We will also practise breathing exercises and movement activities to support self-regulation as the children continue to grow and develop.

In **Maths**, children will be focusing on numbers, including recognising numerals and matching them to amounts. They will practise showing "number fingers" and subitising amounts (identifying quantities without counting). We will then explore position and routes through obstacle courses as we rescue Anansi, before ending the half term by spotting patterns in the environment, recognising patterns on Anansi, and creating our own.

Kind regards,
The Nursery Team

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Reception



St Saviour's School

Spring 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new term in Reception. We hope you all enjoyed a restful holiday with family and friends. This term, we have a range of engaging activities planned to inspire and challenge the children, and we look forward to working closely with you to support their learning.

What are we learning this half term?

Core Text: *Handa's Surprise*

This term, we will be exploring the vibrant story *Handa's Surprise*. This engaging text introduces children to different cultures and fruit from around the world while developing key literacy skills. Through the story, children will build vocabulary, practise descriptive language, and explore diversity and inclusion, which are essential components of our curriculum.

As part of our learning, the children will have opportunities to taste and describe a range of fruit. We encourage you to continue these discussions at home and, if possible, try some of the fruit together.

Phonics

We will continue to follow the *ALS Letters and Sounds* programme, focusing on Phase 3. Children will learn new phonemes such as j, v, w, x, y and z, as well as digraphs including sh, th, ch, ee, and oo.

High-frequency words will continue to be sent home to support fluency. Children will also practise writing simple sentences using capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops. Regular reading and phonic games at home will greatly support the progress.

Maths

In maths, we will focus on counting, ordering, and problem-solving. Children will explore parts that make up a whole number and practise addition by counting on and combining groups. We will also cover doubling, sharing, mass, and capacity.

Bug Club

We are pleased to introduce Bug Club to support your child's reading at home. This online platform provides books matched to individual reading levels and encourages independent reading. Please aim for your child to read at least one Bug Club book each week.

An Early Years parent workshop will take place within the next few weeks, covering Early Years learning and demonstrating how to use Bug Club. Further details will be shared soon.

Reading for Pleasure

Reading for pleasure is an important part of developing a love of reading. Children will be able to choose a book that interests them from our class library. They will be provided with a reading record to record their borrowed items. Books will be changed on Tuesdays. Please ensure that books are returned on **Mondays** to allow for this exchange.

Finally, we are delighted to welcome a new member of staff to Reception. Mrs Aktar has joined us as part of her teacher training and will be with us for the remainder of the school year. Please join us in giving her a warm welcome to our school community.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a successful and enjoyable term ahead.

The Reception Team

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Year 1 Newsletter Spring 1 Term 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

We wish you all welcome back after the Christmas break, we hope that you all had a fantastic holiday.

This half term the children have already showed that they are raring to go by showing how focused they are. They will be starting their phase 5 phonics' learning and will be focusing on their number bonds to 10 by memory.

In English, the children will be using the core text of *Katie in London* by James Mayhew as a step into their learning. This is a story of a magical journey around London, exploring the magnificent landmarks. The text will inspire the children to write their own narratives. They will then write a non-fiction report on animals.

The children will also be reading in their reading groups and will read with an adult at least once a week. Please do continue to use Bug Club to support your child with their reading at home too!

Children will also be learning spelling rules, and these will be sent home on a Thursday as weekly spellings to learn with a test taking place on the following Thursday.

In Maths, Year 1 will be looking at place value, adding and subtracting within 20. We will be learning how to use various methods and equipment to help us. Year 1 will also be focusing on their number bonds to 10 and their times tables. They will be given a number bonds to 10 and a times table worksheet to practice at home on Thursdays which they will be tested on the following Thursday.

In R.E. the children will be looking at the stories from the Bible whilst focusing on the key question 'Was it easy for Jesus to show friendship'. They will be looking at several stories and thinking about the key message of forgiveness and kindness, and how this can be shown in their own lives.

We will continue to complete lots of learning outdoors including P.E. which will be every Thursday and Friday. This half term, the children will be exploring gymnastics and team games.

In Science, the children will be learning about different types of trees and animals including humans where they will be identifying their features.

Year 1 will be learning all about the hot and cold places in Geography where they will be looking at various climates and how it impacts the environment.

We will also be learning all about our dreams and goals and how we can achieve them in P.S.H.E. and P4C.

In Art, the children are learning all about printmaking where they will learn the techniques of stippling and over printing. In D.T., the children will be looking at food and nutrition where they will have the opportunity to make a nutritious snack and discover more of its nutritional value.

I hope that this newsletter has been beneficial in telling you about your child's learning at the beginning of this term. If you have any other questions about the learning, then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes,

Miss Atiya and the Year 1 Team



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Spring 1 2026
Newsletter

Welcome back after the holidays and a Happy New Year to you all. We hope that you have had a good start to the new year and that the children are ready to start another term of learning. 😊

What are we learning this half term?

English

This half term the children will be looking at a story called *Grandpa's Island*. It is an extremely moving story which deals with loss, friendship and adventure. As we explore the beautiful illustrations and the touching story, we will produce a setting description and a news report.

This term, we will increase the amount of time that the children spend reading. They will continue reading in their Guided Reading groups and we will also practice reading comprehension, spellings and phonics daily to help the children become fluent readers.

Please do continue to support your child's reading at home as much as you can. The progress they are making is amazing and your support is really appreciated!

Maths

This term, the children will learn about the value of money and how to solve problems and give change. I am sure they are going to be absolute superstars!

We will also revisit other areas of learning from both Y1 and Y2 in each session to make sure that the children are revising their Maths as much as possible.

Science

This half term the children will finish learning about Animals, including Humans. We will learn how animals and humans mature over time and what we need to stay alive. Then, we start our new topic: materials. This topic will involve a variety of experiments and interactive activities that I hope the children will enjoy.

R.E.

We will be looking and learning about Islam this term. Our learning in RE will look at the question, 'Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/her everyday life?' This unit will focus on the importance of prayer (Salah) on Muslim's lives and how most Muslims make a commitment to Allah in their daily prayer.

History/Geography

In history, we will be finishing our topic of flight, examining how air travel has changed over the years. Then, we will delve into some local history, looking at the history of Bow and how it has changed over the years. In Geography we will study fieldwork and map skills. We will use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the local area. We will also be practicing our map skills and revising our knowledge of physical and human features.

Homework will be sent out on Thursdays. We will be using *Century AI* this term to support home learning, so please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions. This term, homework will focus on learning times-tables and practicing weekly spellings.

From Miss Harewood and the Year 2 team.

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Spring 1 2026
Newsletter

Welcome back after the holidays and a Happy New Year to you all. We hope that you have had a good start to the new year and that the children are ready to start another term of learning. 😊

What are we learning this half term?

English

This half term the children will be looking at a story called *Operation Gadgetman* by Malorie Blackman. It is a fast-paced adventure story featuring a schoolgirl detective, which I think the children will thoroughly enjoy. We will write a suspense story of our own, focusing on how to engage the reader effectively.

The children will continue to read *Operation Gadgetman* during Shared Reading sessions and work in small groups for Guided Reading. Please do continue to support your child's reading at home as much as you can please.

Maths

This term, the children will continue learning about multiplication and division. We will focus on the 4 and 8 times-tables, learning how to divide and multiply and how they link. To follow, we will learn how to measure in mms, cms and metres. Children will compare lengths and learn how to calculate the perimeter.

We will also revisit key areas of learning from both Year 1 and Year 2 in each session to ensure that children have regular opportunities to consolidate and revise their mathematical understanding.

Thank you

Miss Robin and Miss Begum

Science

This half term the children will begin their learning by looking at Forces and Magnets. We will investigate different forces and the difference between a contact and a non-contact force. We will investigate what materials are magnetic and why some objects repel each other.

R.E.

We will be looking and learning about Christianity this term. Our learning in R.E. will look at the question, 'Can Jesus perform Miracles?' Children will retell some of the stories from the Bible and understand that people have different viewpoints. They will answer questions based on the miracles of Jesus and give their own opinions.

History

During History, we will be learning about The Romans and what life was like to live in Rome. We will focus on the Roman invasion and how Britain changed under the Roman Rule.

Geography

In our Geography lessons, we will be learning about the cities and countries of The U.K. and their physical and human features. To finish our topic, we will look at the topological patterns of the U.K.

Homework can be accessed online using **Century AI** to support home learning. Do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions.

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Dear Families,

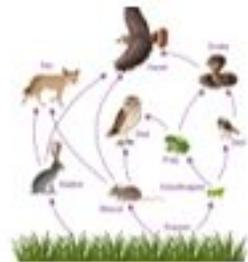
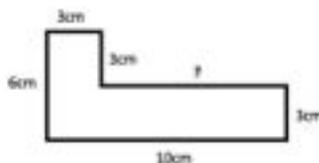
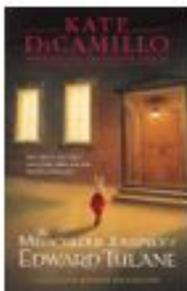
We hope that you had a lovely Christmas break and are looking forward to the term ahead.

In **English**, we will be reading the *Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo where we will write for a variety of different purposes and outcomes including letters, recounts and poetry.

In **Maths**, we will complete our block on Multiplication and Division, before moving on to Length and Perimeter. In **History**, the children will explore the fascinating world of the Vikings, uncovering details about their daily lives, the places they invaded and settled, and their claims to the English throne. Through this, they will gain a richer understanding of how the Vikings shaped history. In **Geography**, we are focusing on longitude and latitude, investigating how these tools help us understand location and navigate the world. The children will apply their learning to identify specific places and explore how these concepts connect to real-world geography. In **Science**, the children will continue their investigation into states of matter, examining the properties of solids, liquids, and gases. They will delve into how materials change state and explore the processes behind these transformations through practical experiments and enquiry. In **R.E.** we will be pondering the question 'Is forgiveness always possible for Christians' where we will explore what the word forgiveness means before evaluating a variety of scenarios.

Suggestions for parents/carers:

- Times tables: using TTRS daily to practise
- Practise spellings
- Continue daily reading



Important reminders

- PE will continue to take place on Thursdays.

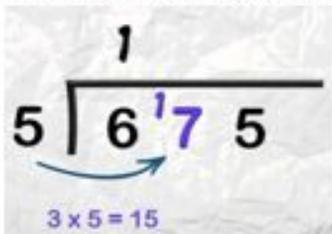
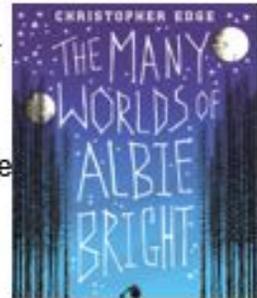
Thank you for your ongoing support, and please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

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Spring 1 - Newsletter - Year 5

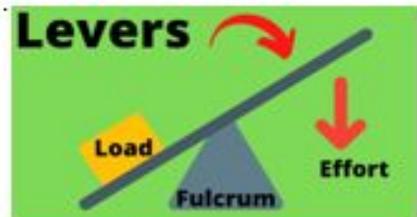
Dear Parents/Carers,
I hope you all had a restful break over the holidays!

This half-term we will be using "The Many Worlds of Albie Bright" as our model text in English and our shared reading book. The book will encourage exploration of grieving and loss in a witty sci-fi setting. The children will be producing fiction based on this story, being given the chance to create their own fantastical sci-fi worlds.



In Maths we will be starting our block on multiplication and division, in which we will focus on the short multiplication and short division written methods. We will then move on to our second fractions block for the year.

In Science we're continuing our learning about forces. We will be learning about the life and achievements of Galileo and then on to the use of pulleys and levers.



In history we will be starting our learning journey about the Maya and their civilization, exploring their inventions, great cities and way of life.

In R.E. we will continue our learning on Christianity focusing on the theme of incarnation through learning about the idea of a messiah and the qualities of Jesus Christ. We will then move on to exploring Sikhism.

In Geography we will be exploring the use of longitude and latitude in maps, how to use grid references and how we map specific locations as a geographer.



Just a reminder that this term the class will be at swimming lessons on Tuesday mornings. All children will need a swimming cap to enter the pool.

We are looking forward to an exciting and productive spring!
Mr. Lopez and the Year 5 team.

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Year 6 Newsletter - Spring Term 1

We hope everyone has had a fabulous Christmas and New Year and is feeling refreshed and ready for another exciting half term! We have lots of engaging and thought-provoking learning planned across the curriculum, with plenty of opportunities for creativity and curiosity.

In **English**, we will be using *Windrush Child* by Benjamin Zephaniah as our core text. This powerful story will allow the children to explore themes of **identity, belonging, resilience and injustice**, linking closely with our History topic on the Windrush. Through reading and discussion, the children will consider **the experiences of migration, how historical events shape people's lives, and different perspectives**. They will write in a range of styles, including 'journey' narratives, persuasive letters and poetry, developing **their ability to write with empathy, clarity and impact**.

In **Maths**, we will be building on our learning about measurement, continuing to learn about ratio, algebra and decimals. The children will deepen their understanding of how to **use mathematical reasoning to solve problems, spot patterns and apply their knowledge in real-life contexts**. We will also continue to practise daily arithmetic.

Our **Science** learning will build on our work about the circulatory system, this time looking at the role of the kidneys. We will investigate how our kidneys keep our bodies healthy and their role in the circulatory system, particularly how they filter the blood. We will then begin our learning about **Light**, exploring how light travels, the colours in the light spectrum, and reflection.

In **R.E.**, we will be learning about Christianity, focusing on the creation story (Genesis) and the key question *"Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?"* The children will reflect on how **different people understand creation and how faith and scientific ideas can be seen as working alongside one another**.

Our **Geography** lessons will continue to look at settlement, land use and economic relationships, considering what settlements are, where they are found, and whether there are patterns to settlements.

In **History**, we will be starting our learning on the Windrush, looking at how **the Windrush generation helped to rebuild post-war Britain and how migration has shaped modern British society**.

Please continue to support your child's learning at home through daily reading (15-20 minutes makes a big difference), Times Tables Rock Stars, and Century AI. Regular use of these helps to consolidate key concepts and supports progress across the curriculum. Century AI can also be used to close any gaps in children's knowledge; something that will help the children in the run up to their KS2 assessments in May.

We're really looking forward to seeing how the children's learning develops this term — it's set to be full of fascinating discussions, hands-on experiences and impressive work. As always, please feel free to speak to us at the door if you have any questions!

Miss Dooley, Miss Kelly and Miss Harris 🍌