

# Welcome to Year 1



## Spring 1

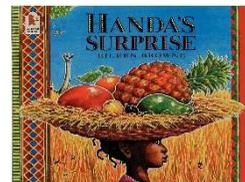
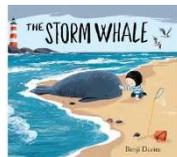
Happy New Year! We hope you have had a lovely Christmas and new year! We are very excited to return to school for another busy and exciting few months. We are delighted that Mrs Watson is back teaching the class on a Monday and Tuesday. Mrs Griffiths will be the class teacher on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. As always, if there is anything we can help you with, please feel free to message us or catch us at the end of the school day.

We have a very busy and exciting half term. From watching the Little Mermaid production to partaking in a taster fencing session, the spelling bee challenge and careers week, we have lots to look forward to!

### P.E

PE will continue to take place every **Monday and Wednesday**. On these days, your child can come to school in their PE kit. Please make sure that any long hair is tied back and earrings are removed on these days. This half term the children will be taking part in Dance and Circuits.

### Curriculum



Our **English** work will be based around these two texts as well as reading and writing weather poems.

We will continue to focus on key skills in writing, such as practicing letter formation, working on capital letters, and learning how to construct simple sentences using full stops. Emphasis will be placed on using digraphs correctly and spelling tricky words.

We follow the White Rose [Maths](#) program, and this half-term we will be continuing our work on Place Value then Addition and Subtraction moving to numbers within 20 and then 50. Please have a look at the one minute app if you haven't already. [1-minute maths app | White Rose Education](#)

In [RE](#), our topic is caring for myself and others. As part of this the children will be learning about stories with a moral and look at different religious symbols.

Our [Science](#) topic is seasonal changes and the children will be thinking about what happens to animals during colder and warmer months and how day length varies in autumn and winter and spring and summer.

In [Geography](#), our work looks at the question Why is our weather so wonderful? The children will explore different weather types and work practically to collect data and keep their own weather logs.

In [Computing](#), the children will be introduced to simple Algorithms.

Our [Art](#) work this half term is printing. The children will have opportunities to explore and work with different materials to make their own prints.

For [PSHE](#), we use SCARF, which stands for Safety, Achievement, Resilience, and Friendship. This half-term, the children will work on the topic 'Valuing Difference'. As part of this, the children will explore what makes them special, special people in their lives and their feelings.

In Music we will be learning how to play the Ukulele. This will be taught to the whole class each week by a specialist music teacher.

