



# Year 1 News

## Summer 1

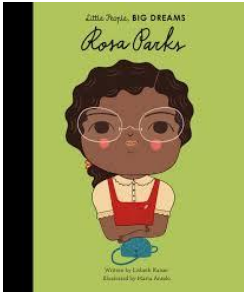
### April 2026



Welcome to Year 1, Dragons class!

We hope you all had a good half term and are ready for the new term. We are looking forward to all the new learning we will do this term.

## The Weather



**Our focus book this half term is Little People, Big Dreams: Rosa Parks by Lisbeth Kaiser. This is a great story about the importance of Rosa Parks and what she did.**

In English we will be writing a recount based on a video, and a retell of events using our class book as inspiration. Each day we will continue to have daily phonics lessons and will begin preparing for the Phonics screening.

In Maths we will be looking at multiplication and division, learning our 2s, 5s and 10s.

Our Science will focus on the four seasons and the changes in weather throughout the year.

In RE we will be thinking about the religion of Judaism and the beliefs associated.

In Geography, we will be learning about the weather and how this is different in different places.

In Computing sessions, we are going to be looking at writing in different ways using I pads and computers.

## REMINDERS

**PE will be on Friday.**

Please remember to come to school in your PE kit including suitable footwear such as trainers in case we are outside.

**(Plain T-shirt, plain Joggers and school cardigan/jumper).**

### Reading

Please continue to read at home as this is so important and helps children develop skills and a love of books. Please bring reading books and diaries to school every day.

Look at **MyMaths** for weekly challenges which link to our work in class and revise things done before.

**Other key information and key dates for your diary:**

## What can you do to support your child's learning?

- 1) Listen to them read. Encourage them to use the VIPERS reading dogs when discussing the books they have read. Log their reading in their reading journal.
- 2) Encourage them to use My Maths (and look at place value).
- 3) Help your child continue to learn their times tables. Using Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS)
- 4) Log into Spelling Shed and practice the weekly spellings.
  - ❖ Don't forget the Oxford Owl website has some great online reading activities and books to share.
  - ❖ Spelling lists are on Spelling Shed. Please help your child practice these as it really helps them become more confident with their reading and writing.

Thank you. Miss Jenson

### Contacting the year 1 team

We are at the classroom door at drop off and pick up times and are always happy to say hello or have a quick chat.

Call the office to pass on a message or ask for a call back. 0115 9152953

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Don't forget to download the Class Dojo app and keep an eye on the website and Facebook page, for up-to-date information and key messages.