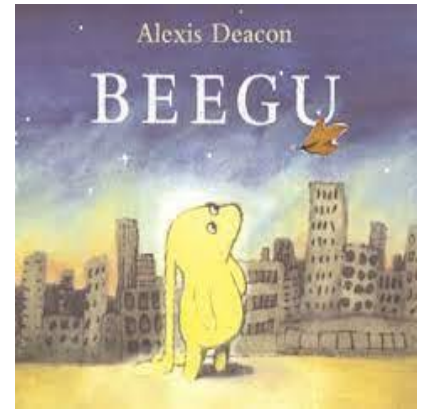


Year 1/2 Newsletter - Spring 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new Spring term. We hope that you and your family enjoyed a joyful and peaceful Christmas holiday, it has been lovely to welcome the children back with smiling faces ready to learn. We begin the term with a lovely finding tale called Beegu. We are really enjoying learning the story and we are looking forward to writing our own finding tales in the coming weeks.



What will we be learning about this term?

We will continue with our Forest School on Thursday afternoons; the children have really enjoyed these sessions engaging with nature and learning new skills. Please ensure the children have a waterproof coat in school on a Thursday as well as coming to school wearing warm clothes suitable for spending time outdoors.

In Geography we will be using maps and learning research skills. We will locate Buckingham Palace, understand compass directions, plan routes around London and learn about the countries of the United Kingdom. Our research will take us back in time to the Great Fire of London and to famous London landmarks, as well as giving us an understanding of what it's like to live in a big city.

In Science we will learn about the four seasons. We will go out into the local environment to experience the weather and examine the difference between deciduous and evergreen trees. We will find out what the weather is, what types of weather there are and what causes the weather. We will observe and measure the wind, rain and temperature and record this data in different ways.

Within these subjects we use knowledge organisers to support our learning. The children have copies in school and we refer to them regularly within lessons, focusing on the key vocabulary. You can find all our knowledge organisers for this term under the knowledge organisers tab on our class page. Perhaps you could ask your child to tell you about some of the key words and what they mean?

Homework

The children are set spellings each week in line with our phonics teaching. A copy of the words we are learning are sent home each Friday, to be tested in school the following Friday.

Thank you for supporting your child with their reading at home, we are seeing a real passion for reading developing within our class. Please try to hear your child read every day. Children who read daily at home as well as in school make the most rapid progress.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to talk to a member of the team. I can also be contacted by email catht@st-georgescofe.derbyshire.sch.uk.

With best wishes

Mrs Tiffany and the year 1/2 team