



Year 1's News



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Year 1's Wonderful Work

We've had another busy half term! The children enjoyed taking part in a range of science experiments, investigating different materials to find out whether they are transparent or opaque and testing which materials are absorbent or waterproof. They made predictions, carried out simple tests and talked about what they observed, just like real scientists. We also embraced Times Tables Rock Stars Day, where the children showed fantastic enthusiasm while practising their multiplication skills and working together to improve their speed and confidence with number.



What are we learning about this term?

In English we are writing a poem based on *Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear* by Alice Schertle.

In our Maths lessons we are building our understanding of place value to 50, looking at length, height, mass and volume.

In Science, we will be growing a plant and completing a plant diary.

Year 1 Creative Curriculum Theme

Bustling Bradford

Areas of Learning

As Artists, we will investigate and interpret the past in the local area.

We will ask questions when visiting Bradford Industrial Museum to learn about the History of Bradford. We will use artefacts from the museum and discuss what they were used for and why and we will identify different ways the past has been represented using and exploring museum resources.



As Geographers we will identify where Bradford is in relation to London, the UK, Europe and the world. We will be able to find Bradford on a variety of maps.



As Artists, we will be researching the history of textiles through our visit to Bradford Industrial Museum. We will use textiles to develop ideas— weaving material in and out of a fence and using ribbons out of wheels/hoops.

We will use weaving to create a pattern.

We will explore what weaving is and look at examples of weaving from different artists.

Upcoming Dates/Events

School Trips: — TBC
Parents' Evening: — TBC
Assemblies & Events:

World Book Day – 06.03.26

Updates will be shared on Arbor.

Reading at Holybrook

This year's theme is Mr Men and Little Miss by Roger Hargreaves. Children are welcome to dress as a favorite character from the series!

Please ensure reading books and journals are in school every day

Our class text: *Malala's Magic Pencil*

Maths at Holybrook

Key facts we are targeting:

2s, 5s, 3s and 10s
(Forwards and backwards!)

Keep practising on Numbots.

Homework

Homework links directly to our learning in:

- Malala's Magic Pencil and magical writing.
- Measuring and weighing.
- Plants
- Bradford's history of weaving.

Please bring homework in as and when it is completed. We love to see you learning at home!

PE is on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Sports studied: Football and Tennis.

Year 1's Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for every child's success. Being in school every day helps pupils build strong learning habits, keep up with the curriculum, and develop social and emotional skills. Missing lessons can make it harder to catch up and can affect progress over time. By working together to ensure good attendance, we give every child the best chance to achieve their potential. School starts at 8.45am.

Current Whole-School Attendance: 94.4%

Year 1 Attendance: 95.8%

Target Attendance: 96%

National Average to date: 94.6%

100% Attendance	Superb!
97% Attendance	Good
95% Attendance	Slight concern
90% Attendance	Very concerned
85% Attendance	Local authority intervention

Lateness=Lost Learning		
5 minutes late each day	=	3 days of learning lost
10 minutes late each day	=	6.5 days of learning lost
15 minutes late each day	=	10 days of learning lost
20 minutes late each day	=	13 days of learning lost
30 minutes late each day	=	19 days of learning lost
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