

Year 1 Spring Bulletin 2026



Our Humanities topic for the Autumn Term is **Moving and Growing**.

As always, our children will lead the learning through Pupil Voice.

But what is Pupil Voice?

Pupil voice refers to ways in which the thoughts, wishes and opinions of learners are invited, engaged with and acted upon in an educational setting. Allowing them to take ownership of their own learning, resulting in better engagement and attainment. We task the children to create their own LOs (Learning Objectives), thinking about the skills they will be developing through completing the task.

Overview of the of 6 AOLEs for this term

AOLE (Area of Learning and Experience)	Focus
Literacy, Language and Communication	Simple sentence writing, full stops, capital letters and finger spaces Spellings - ar, ee, ea (ee sound), ea (e sound), er, ir and ur, oo (oo sound), oo (u sound), oa/oe (oa sound), ou (ow sound) Traditional stories/fairy tales, magical kingdoms, story maps, Zog, non-fiction writing about growing.
Maths and Numeracy	Position and movement - using Sphero Indi to introduce coding, place value within 20, 2D and 3D shapes - focusing on properties, addition and subtraction, place value within 50, length and height, weight and volume.
Expressive Arts	Winter pictures, creating fairytale houses - a sweetie house. Composing music for a fairytale, creating dinosaur skeleton pictures. Creating dinosaur eggs, fossils and dinosaur habitats.
Health and Wellbeing	Dreams and Goals - my treasure chest of success, steps to goals, achieving together, stretchy learning, overcoming obstacles, celebrating my success. Healthy me - being healthy, healthy choices, clean and healthy, medicine safety, internet safety, road safety, happy, healthy me. Dance, rugby skills, orienteering.
Science and Technology	Understand how a scab protects the healing skin underneath when you cut yourself. Discover how saliva helps you to swallow your food and also kills bacteria in your mouth. Recognise and name some of the organs involved in the digestion process and the jobs they do. Learn how burps and poops are caused by a build-up of gas in either the stomach or the large intestine. Understand that the mucus in our nose traps dust, germs and other things in the air and stops them from getting into the lungs. Understand why we might be sick and that doing so is one way our body looks after itself. Recognise how easily germs can spread and the importance of practising good hygiene. Changing materials - reversible and irreversible changes. Forces and motion.
Humanities	Welsh stories - Santes Dwynwen, Sant Dewi. Chinese New Year - linked to ordinal numbers. Comparing contrasting dragons used to symbolise countries (comparing China/Wales). Dinosaurs - looking at various eras of dinosaurs, countries around the World dinosaurs originate from. The Easter Story.

Help from Home

Reading - Reading is an integral part of learning so to help us to support your child, we ask that parents sign reading diaries regularly, if possible three times each week. If you are able to listen to them read and ask them a range of questions about the text - that would be great! Books will be changed in school every Monday and Thursday.

MathShed and Spelling Shed - Activities will be set each week and grown ups are encouraged to support children on these activities. These relate to learning in school too so will give children an opportunity to consolidate their learning.

Dates for the Diary	
5 th January	INSET day
10 th February	Internet safety day
12 th February	Eureka visit
13 th Feb	End of Spring term 1
16 th and 17 th March	Parents evenings
27 th March	End of Spring term 2

