

Year One Newsletter



Our learning theme this half term is

Childhood

21st – 25th September- 2026



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Reading book assigned this week is **A Week at the Coast**

Last week's winning class was **Willow class!**

Phonics

In phonics this week, we will be focusing on: **ay, ou, ie, ea**

We will also be learning the Harder to Read and Spell (HRS) words - **into, very, the, want, was, is, house, mouse, your, would, could**

Our learning this week will include:

English - Finishing writing about The Proudest Blue.	Maths- Comparing groups using language such as equal, more/greater, less/fewer. ("Fewer" is used when talking about a number of things or objects, whereas "less" is used when talking about values. For example, "There are fewer blue cars than red cars" is correct, not "There are less blue cars than red cars.")
Computing- Looking at the idea of 'belonging' - what belongs to us, what belongs to our parents etc.	History- Looking at the 6 different stages of life (baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult, elderly). We will look at the photos you have sent in, so please keep sending them!

Things to remember

Every day the children need to bring a named:

- book bag with reading diary and books
- water bottle
- coat

On **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**, children will come to school in their Forest school/ PE kit. Please note that we have a no earrings policy in school.

Thank you to all who have sent in wellies/pumps - please continue to send named wellies/pumps to be left in school.

Thank you to all who came to our Welcome To Year 1 meeting - if you were unable to attend, you can find the slides here <https://www.blossomfield.solihull.sch.uk/Year-One/> 😊

At Blossomfield we are fortunate to be part of a research project alongside the Open University. This project will help us to encourage children to read for pleasure. As part of this research, Blossomfield staff will be talking about reading with your children. We will be talking about reading at home, whether they enjoy reading, the kind of books they enjoy reading and the places in which your child likes to read. This information will be anonymised and shared with the Open University. It would be fantastic if you could talk to your children about their thoughts around reading for pleasure both at home, and at school.

Thank you for your support!

Mrs Arnold

Suggested Home Activity

Science- Materials

Our Materials topic this term teaches children that objects are made from materials. They will identify a range of everyday materials and their sources. Children will investigate the properties of materials and begin to recognise that a material's properties define its use. Please read and discuss the Materials Knowledge Organiser and Glossary with your child at home (attached to this newsletter). You could investigate different objects at home and work out what they are made of.

Maths

Purple Mash-One less & One More Quiz (Usernames/logins are on reading diaries)
Mathematics/Number/Number and Place value/Age 5-7/ One less/one more than



INDIVIDUAL PUPIL PHOTOS

Just a reminder to send children in on **Friday 25 September** looking extra smart (if that's possible as they always do!) in readiness for their school photo to be taken. Proofs will be sent home as soon as they are received from NextGen and orders can then be placed online.

ATTENDANCE 98%		
Week commencing 7 th September 2026		
Reception		
MAPLE		94%
HOLLY		94%
YEAR 1		
WILLOW		92%
ELM		93%
YEAR 2		
ROWAN		99%
OAK		99.3%
This week's winner Oak Class		
 		
WELL DONE!		



If you have any questions or just want to say hello, please contact us using the year 1 email s4year1@blossomfield.solihull.sch.uk

Many thanks for your support and interest

With all our very best wishes

Mrs Kilby and Miss Collins

