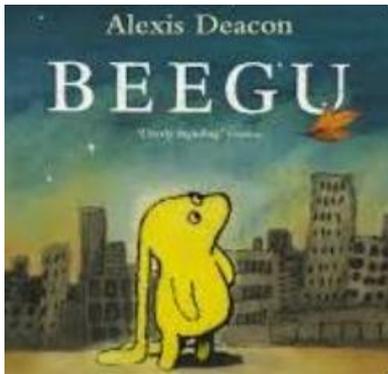


Year 1 Spring term 1 2026

Welcome back after the Christmas holidays, we hope you had a restful break. Here is an overview of our learning for this half term

History- we are learning about Toys, we shall be looking at changes seen, within our lifetimes, of toys and teddies. We are also going to be visiting the Toy Museum, Newarke Houses in Leicester on Tuesday 10th February.



In English we are looking at the texts *Beegu* by Alexis Deacon and *The Odd Egg* by Emily Gravett.



We will be writing instructions, Missing posters, party invitations, letters and descriptive sentences. In grammar we will begin to use conjunctions in our sentences by putting sentences together with “and”, “but” and “or”.

The Science topic for this term is “Animals” we will be learning to identify common animals, grouping them by features (mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians) and diet (carnivore, herbivore, omnivore), comparing their structures (legs, wings, fur, scales) Children learn key features like feathers for birds, fins for fish.

In Maths we are looking at Place Value to 20, addition and subtraction with numbers to 20, including number bonds to 20. We will be using counting on, doubles, near doubles, related facts and number lines.

Our RE topic is called Galilee to Jerusalem. We shall learn about the beginning of Jesus’ ministry, the calling of the disciples, the teaching about God’s kingdom, and performing miracles. As Jesus travels toward Jerusalem, he prepares his followers and faces increasing opposition.

His arrival in Jerusalem marks the fulfilment of his mission, leading to the events of his death and resurrection.



The topic homework for this half term is to make a toy or game for our class toy museum. Please bring this in week beginning Monday 19th January.

I also kindly request you to help your child’s reading and phonics progress further and check out these phonics sites.

Phonicsplay.co.uk (choose free play activities) BBC bitesize phonics activities

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>

<http://www.galacticphonics.com>

Please continue to hear your child read daily as this has the most significant impact on their reading progress.

Many thanks

Mrs Crowley