

# Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)



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**English** - This half term, the children will be exploring the inspiring life of Olympic athlete Florence Joyner, exploring how her determination, confidence and individuality helped her make history. Through exciting discussions, drama and research activities, the children will learn about her achievements both on and off the track. The children will develop their biography writing skills, using Florence Joyner's story as inspiration, creating engaging non-fiction writing filled with powerful vocabulary, interesting facts and messages about resilience, equality and believing in themselves.



**Learning Means The World - Skip of the Dump** This half term, the children will dive into the imaginative and thought-provoking world of Skip of the Dump, where mysterious objects discovered at the recycling centre spark exciting learning across the curriculum! The children will become young investigators as they explore "mystery items" from the past, such as commemorative teacups, bread makers and old desk lamps, discovering whether they are valuable, useful or ready for a new life through recycling and upcycling.



Through hands-on investigations, children will explore materials, light, shadows and solar energy, carrying out experiments, creating shadow art and learning about nocturnal animals. This engaging topic encourages the children to think carefully about the world around them and how small actions can help care for our planet.

**PE - Hit, Catch, Run:** Led by MNR coach Mr Brown. In this exciting PE unit, the children will develop their throwing, catching and striking skills through fun team games and activities. They will learn how to hit objects with their hand or a bat, track and retrieve a rolling ball, and throw and catch a variety of balls and objects. The children will continue to improve their coordination, teamwork and confidence.



## Maths

**Year 1 - Place Value (within 100), Time & Money -**

The children will develop their understanding of place value to 100 by counting, exploring tens and ones, partitioning numbers and using number lines. They will learn practical money skills by recognising coins and notes, counting amounts and exploring value, before moving on to telling the time to the hour and half hour and learning about days, months and time vocabulary.

**Year 2 - Statistics, Position & Direction, Length & Height**  
- The children will explore length and height by measuring, comparing and ordering objects in cm and m. They will collect and present data using tally charts, tables, block diagrams and pictograms, and develop their understanding of position and direction through movement, turns and practical problem-solving activities.



**RE** - This term, our big question is 'How do Christians decide what is right?'



This half term, the children will explore big questions about right and wrong through Bible stories and teachings of Jesus; helping them to understand how Christians use them to help guide their choices and actions. Through discussion, role play and debates, the children will think carefully about fairness, kindness, forgiveness and making good choices in everyday life. The children will also compare different viewpoints and begin to explain their own ideas in a thoughtful and respectful way.

## Dates for your diary:

Friday 5th June - Sports Day (KS1 & KS2)  
w/c 8th June 2026 - Phonics Screening Checks  
Friday 12th June - FOTS Cycle ride to Paris departs  
Saturday 27th June - FOTS Camp Out  
Thursday 2nd July - Transition Morning  
Friday 17th July - End of term Church Service  
@10:30am & School Finishes at 1:15pm

## PE & Forest School Days

Rosen - PE - Wednesday, Forest School - Thursday  
Dahl - PE - Wednesday, Forest School - Tuesday  
Murphy - PE - Wednesday, Forest School - Monday



If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher via the class e-mail below.

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