



# St John's C of E (Aided) Primary School

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## Year 1 Summer 1 2026

Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone! We hope you had an amazing break, and enjoyed celebrating Easter. We are so excited to be seeing you again and this letter will tell you a bit more about the fabulous learning journey that your children are about to embark on in Summer 1.



## Summer One English

This half term, we will be looking at the text 'The Disgusting Sandwich' by Gareth Edwards. The children will write sentences to describe, use the -ing suffix and use and to extend their ideas.

In our other subjects we will be looking at:

**Maths** - one more/ one less, ten more/ ten less, number bonds

**Science** - Plants

**Geography**- Why is our world wonderful?

**PE** - Inside: Ball skills- feet

**RE** - Community- Sikhi Sewa

**Art** - Clay biscuits (Nikki McWilliams)

**Music** - Sound patterns- Fairytales

**Computing** - Virtual Beebots

**PDL Jigsaw and No Outsiders** - Relationships- No Outsiders (My world, your world)

**Little Wandle Books**- Please return each Monday

**Library Day** - Tuesday

**PE** - Wednesday

## Home Learning

As usual, we ask that you spend **time reading** with your child every day and recording this in their reading diary. They do love to receive their certificates, and we all know how important reading is. It links to our Little Wandle learning in phonics, so is the ideal way to help reinforce your child's learning in school.

## Uniform

We are delighted to see the children back in their uniform looking smart. It gives us a lovely sense of pride and belonging. Please be reminded that shoes (not trainers) should be plain black and without colour, including white. Please make sure everything is **NAMED**. Remember on our PE day (**Wednesday**) children need to come dressed already in their PE kits.



## Library

Our library day is **on a Tuesday afternoon**. We recommend keeping their books in their book bag so they always have it and it doesn't get lost down the side of the bed!



## Water bottles

Please remember to send your child in with a named water bottle each day to ensure they can stay hydrated throughout the day.

## Phonics Screening Check

On the week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026, your child will complete the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check in school. It is important for your child to be in school this week to ensure your child completes the phonics check. This will assess their ability to read words with the sounds (phonemes) taught in YR and Y1. If you can spend time over the coming weeks hearing your child read, this would be greatly appreciated as it will help to improve their recognition of phonemes (sounds) in a wider range of words. Also, a fun website to practise reading is [PhonicsPlay](https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/). There are some free games (Obb and Bob/ Buried Treasure) that also help children to read words with the phase 5 sounds they will be assessed on.

## Junk Modelling

Please could we have any small boxes, egg boxes or bottle tops donated to Year 1 to help with our junk modelling area. If you can drop them at the gate in the morning we would appreciate that.

## Communication



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We will be around at the end of each day if you have anything you wish to discuss with us. If you let us see the children out first, and then wait behind if you wish to see us. Alternatively, please make an appointment with us when convenient if you have something more. We do understand that some parents work, and are not around at the start or end of the day, so please feel free to write a message for your child to hand to their teacher.

Thank you for your support as we look forward to another successful half term's worth of learning.

Miss Green, Mrs Campbell and Mrs Bailey