



# YEAR 1

## Summer Term 2026



### Welcome to the Summer Term

Welcome back to Year 1. We hope you all had a great Easter and are looking forward to another fun filled term of learning. This term we will be focussing on encouraging the children to be independent and take risks in their learning. They have made progress in all areas of their learning and now need to apply the skills they have developed. This will include using their letter formation and spelling skills in all their writing and using their number skills and reasoning to tackle harder challenges.



### Literacy in Year 1...

In writing we will continue to look at the correct formation of letters and their position on a line, developing handwriting skills. The children will also be encouraged to write sentences joining clauses using 'and' as well as checking that their writing makes sense.

It is important that early reading experiences are happy and positive. The aim should be not just for children to learn to read, but to enjoy reading. Your child will have plenty of opportunity in class to read. Your support outside school in encouraging your child to read a variety of different materials, identify letters and their sounds as well as talking about what they've read would be greatly appreciated.



### Maths in Year 1...

In maths we will begin to explore some early multiplication and division skills. This will be introduced by making groups and 'sharing'. We will also begin to learn about fractions, finding a half and a quarter of a shape and an amount. We will develop our understanding of place value in numbers to 100. We will compare numbers and identify how many tens and ones a number is made up of. We will also learn to recognise coins and tell the time to the hour and half past.

### Other subjects

**P.E** This will be on **Tuesday and Friday** for the term. The children must have a pair of shorts in school for P.E. and all long hair must be tied back. The children will also need a named sun hat in school every day and should have sunscreen applied before school.

**Occupation and Liberation** – we will be finding out about this important historical event. We will learn about what it was like for islanders and why Liberation Day is so important to Jersey.

**Plants and Trees** – our science will focus on the naming and identifying a range of common trees, flowers and plants. Perhaps you could spot some whilst you are out and about!

**Mont Orgueil** – after half term we will be finding out about Mont Orgueil Castle. We will think about why it's there, parts of a castle, defence and life in a castle. We will also look at various paintings of the castle and make our own paintings.

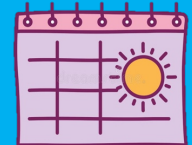


### General Information

- Please remember that our classroom door opens at 8.30a.m. and the register is taken at 8.45a.m. It is helpful for the children to arrive within this time window so that they have had time to greet us and their friends before their learning starts.
- Your child needs one small, named snack for playtime. Yoghurt can often be messy at playtime so is best avoided and please remember we have a 'no nuts' policy.

### Dates for your diary

- 29<sup>th</sup> April – National trust visit (Messy clothes required)
- 20<sup>th</sup> May – Clay day (Messy clothes required)
- 19<sup>th</sup> June – Class Assembly 9am



### Ways to help

- Keep talking to your children and encouraging them to ask questions and play with words – rhyming words, think of an opposite, another word that has a similar meaning, change the ending etc
- Talk about time (including days of the week and knowing when their birthday is), money and directions (left and right).
- Enjoy spending time with your children doing things together – why not try to have a regular block of time, even half an hour a week, without any technology.