



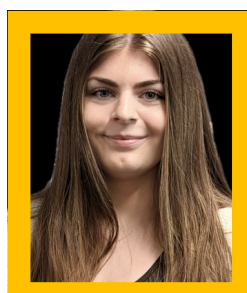
Meet the team...



Miss Wainwright
Potter
Class Teacher



Mrs Matthews
Potter
Class Teacher



Mrs Trumper
Dahl
Class Teacher



Miss Holding
Rowling
Class Teacher

This term's Doorway...



Doorways and Pathways:

This term, we will be exploring the Doorway 'Stepping Back' and following the Pathway of 'Medieval Mayhem'. We will examine castles in depth, investigating the different areas within a castle and the roles that castles played during the Medieval period. Our focus will be on a castle right on our doorstep: Warwick Castle! Once we have a solid understanding of what a castle is and who might have lived in one, we will then move on to explore how castles developed and changed over time. Finally, we will consider how castles were used to defend the people who lived in them.

How to help at home: If possible you could research a few different castles with your child.

This term's Values...



Maths

This half term, we will strengthen our understanding of place value within 10 by comparing and ordering numbers. Following this, we will use this knowledge to help us add and subtract numbers up to 10. The children will learn a variety of methods to support them when adding and subtracting these numbers.

How to help at home: play ordering number games and comparing numbers within 10 e.g. one more and one less.

English

Our main focus will be on sounding out words to assist us in writing simple sentences. We will read a variety of stories to inspire the children as they write. They will learn to write sentences independently by thinking about their sentences, sounding them out, writing them, and checking their work.

How to help at home: practise thinking of a phrase or sentence, sounding it out and trying to write it down. It can be about anything and everything! If your child is interested in it—write about it!

Caring



Phonics

We will be strengthening our understanding of key sounds this half term, using them to help us read. We will then move on to some more complex sounds and patterns. Please read with your child, using the reading books they bring home. If your child reads 5 times a week they will get a sticker at the end of the week.

PE Day—Thursday

Science

Our main focus this half term will be learning the basics of the four seasons, with a particular emphasis on autumn. Each term, we will cover the new season so that pupils can observe it in action! We will then compare autumn with the other seasons, considering what we wear, how our environment changes, what the weather is like, and what celebrations we have during this time. Additionally, we will embark on an autumn walk in the first half term, aiming to spot various autumnal signs. We will use a clipboard and a tick list to note down all the different signs.

Helping at home: Go for a walk and try to spot some autumnal signs.

Key dates for Year 1 this term

Tuesday 1 September—Inset Day
Wednesday 2 September—Academy reopens
Monday 14 September—Dazzling Debut—Dress up as a King, Queen, Jester, Prince, Princess or even a dragon.
Monday 21 September—Inset Day
Friday 9 October—Individual school photos
Wednesday 21 October—Parents' evening
Thursday 22 October—Parents' evening
Friday 23 October—Academy closes for half term
Monday 2 November—Academy reopens
Thursday 5 November—FOOPA fireworks
Friday 13 November—Flu vaccinations (Consent required)
Tuesday 1 December—Year 1 FAB Finale
Tuesday 1 December—Flu vaccinations (Consent required)
Thursday 17 December—Carols on the playground
Friday 18 December—Academy closes for Christmas