Year 1 Newsletter



Term 2 2026

Our Topic for Terms 1 and 2 is: Come Outside

In mathematics this term we will be…
continuing our focus on number work, working with numbers to 10 and beyond. We will be reading and writing these numbers in numerals and words and using them to solve problems involving addition and subtraction. We will also be learning about 2D and 3D shapes.

In English this term we will be…
looking at fiction texts and poems. We will be continuing to work on writing simple sentences using the correct punctuation and will be learning how to include appropriate adjectives to write a character description. We will also be writing poems about fireworks.

In topic this term we will be….
finding out about Guy Fawkes and firework night. We also will be comparing past and present day Margate and learning about the United Kingdom and the countries it includes.

In ICT this term we will be….
learning how to be treasure hunters. The children will learning about using algorithms in order to programme 'beebots' to follow a trail and learning how to debug them too.

In music we will be…
exploring ways to use our voices and developing singing skills while performing actions and using movement, body percussion and instruments to develop a sense of beat.

In PE we will be…
exploring and improving key skills involved running, jumping, catching, throwing and balancing. We also be learning social skills through playing invasion games.

In RE we will be…
learning about Christianity and what Christians believe.

In DT we will be….
learning how to use paper to make a card with moving parts. We will be learning about different mechanisms such as levers and sliders. We will then be designing a Christmas or winter card, making it and finally evaluating our finished creation.

In PSHE we will be…
learning about our community and the different groups we all belong to. The children will also be thinking people in the school and in the wider community who help them.

For more information about what your child in learning this term, please visit:
https://cliftonvilleprimaryschool.secure-primarysite.net/curriculum-1/

Uniform Labels & Looking After Belongings

Please ensure that **all school uniform and personal items are clearly named** before they come in to school. When items go missing, it is much easier for us to return them to the right child quickly if they have a name tag or marker inside.

Please also **talk to your child at home about taking responsibility for their items**. Encouraging them to keep track of their jumpers, coats, and water bottles during the school day helps prevent mix-ups and lost items.

Thank you for your cooperation!

HOMEWORK

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<tr><th>Year group</th><th>Homework task</th><th>Day of the week set</th><th>Day of the week to be completed</th></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">Year 1</td><td>Reading at home a minimum of three times a week</td><td colspan="2">Please add a comment and signature to the reading record whenever you hear your child read.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Weekly phonics challenge</td><td>Friday</td><td>Please hand in by the following Friday</td></tr>
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PE days in Term 2

1B and 1W – Wednesday and Friday

1J and 1K – Tuesday and Wednesday

Dates for your diary

Term 2 Come and Read sessions are on Tuesdays 2:45pm-3pm starting on Tuesday 3rd November

Tuesday 10th November	Come and See Our Books 2:45pm (instead of Come and Read)
Wednesday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Wednesday 11th November	Parent Consultation meetings
Thursday 12th November	Parent Consultations meetings
Friday 13th November	Children in Need Day (more information to follow)
w/c 16th November	Last week of clubs
Thursday 10th December	Year R and Year 1 Nativity – more information to follow
Friday 11th December	Year R and Year 1 Nativity – more information to follow
Friday 11th December	PTFA Christmas Fair
w/c 14th December	Christmas parties will be held this week - more information to follow
Friday 18th December	Last day of Term 2

Monday 4th January 2027 – First day of term 3