

William Murdoch Primary School

Year 1 Spring Term Newsletter 2026

Year 1 Staff

Y1.1 - Mrs K Begum/Mrs J Khera

Y1.2 - Miss S Majid

Y1.3 - Miss S Ashley (Team Leader)

Year 1 Support Staff

Mrs S Salmon-Foster

Mrs N Rhal

Holidays

Half-Term

Friday 13 February 2026

Return to School

Monday 23 February 2026

End of Term

Friday 27 March 2026

Return to School

Monday 13 April 2026

Key Events

Staff Training Days

Monday 5 January 2026

Parents' Evening

Monday 9 March 2026

World Book Day

Thursday 5 March 2026

Science Week

9 to 13 March 2026

Festival Assemblies

Reception - Mother's Day

Friday 13 March 2026

Year 5 - Easter

Friday 27 March 2026

Year 1 Good Work Assemblies

16 January 2026 at 2.50pm

6 March 2026 at 2.50pm

Class Assemblies

Y1.2 - Health Eating

23 January 2026 at 2.50pm

Y1.1 - Science Week

20 March 2026 at 2.50pm

Welcome

Welcome to another term at William Murdoch Primary School. In order to strengthen the home/school partnership, this Newsletter aims to inform you of the topics being covered by your child this term and of any special events taking place.

Maths

Addition & Subtraction within 20
Numbers to 50
Length & Height
Mass & Capacity

Music

In the Groove
Listen & Appraise
Musical Activities
Perform

English

Identify & write state of being verbs.
Identify & write an adjective after a state of being verb.
Identify & write lists of two adjectives after a state of being verb.
Expository Write - Animals - Simple sentences describing animals.

PHSE

Dreams & Goals
Healthy Me

RE

Christianity

PE

Throwing & Rolling
Self-Feeding Ball to Hit
Running between Bases
(Please ensure your child has appropriate sports-wear)

Y1.1 - Mondays & Wednesdays
Y1.2 - Mondays & Fridays
Y1.3 - Wednesdays & Fridays

Science

Topic: Identifying Materials
Types of Materials
Properties of Materials
Practicality of Materials

History

Topic: Kings & Queens
King John I & The Magna Carta
Henry III & Parliament
Oliver Cromwell & the Commonwealth

Geography

Topic: The UK
The Countries of the UK
Capital Cities & Flags
Physical & Human Features

Art

Topic: Architecture
Architectural Features
Designing a Building
Understanding Sculpture
'A Study of Degas' Little Dancer

Computing

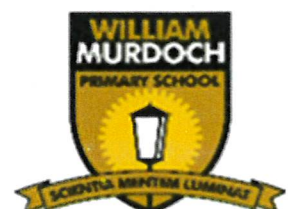
Programming: Moving a Robot
Data & Information: Grouping Data

Homework

English, Maths and Spellings homework will continue to be given on Fridays and is to be returned to school by Wednesday.

Homework related to Knowledge Organisers will be posted on Class Dojo on Fridays.

Children should be reading 20 minutes daily to an adult. Comments should then be left in their reading journals.



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