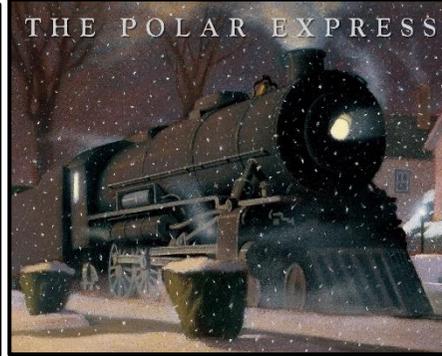
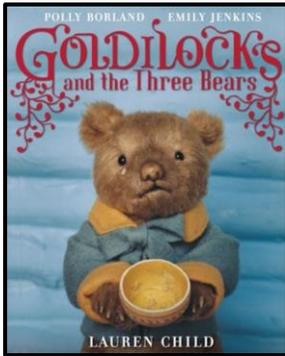
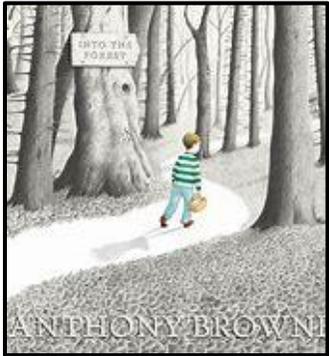


## Year 1 Autumn 2: Curriculum Newsletter



### English:

As always, our initial focus this term is on building the children's vocabulary, and enhancing their writing skills. We will be reading *Into the Forest* by Anthony Brown, and our writing will be based around setting descriptions. We will then read *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* by Lauren Child. This will enable us to work on character descriptions, retelling a narrative, and explore invitations. The third book we will read is *The Polar Express*, by Chris Van Allsburg, and this will help develop our knowledge, and understanding of instructions.

### Ways to help at home:

Listen to your child read at **least three times a week**. Every child takes home a reading book. **Please use the reading record to note down when you have read with your child.**

Support with the weekly **homework** and **spellings**.

Spend time recalling number, and counting with accuracy - this will help the children become more confident, and fluent when working with number.

In Geography this term, Year 1 will learn about the local area and where they live. Our RE lessons will focus on why Christians give gifts at Christmas. The children will also be introduced to the Christmas story.

In Science, the lessons will be based on identifying and naming body parts. We will also cover the topic of seasons.

In PSHE we will study 'Celebrating Difference', and our computing lessons for this half term will continue to enable the children to become more confident to create media throughout digital writing.

**Knowledge Organisers:** Attached to this newsletter are the knowledge organisers for RE, Science and Geography. These organisers detail the knowledge we want the children to obtain in these subjects. These documents can be used at home to support the learning taking place in school.

### Maths:

Year 1 will continue to work with numbers up to 20, and we will secure skills surrounding addition and subtraction. We will then move on to learn about both 2D, and 3D shapes. We will also continue to use Numicon on a regular basis, to develop arithmetic skills. Our aim is to develop the children's ability to work with higher numbers, count with precision, and represent number in a variety of ways.

### Other information:

- PE will take place on a **MONDAY** morning with Mr. Stevens.
- Homework will be set every Wednesday, and expected to be completed by the following Monday. Spellings will also be given out, and tested on a Wednesday. **HOMEWORK MUST BE COMPLETED ON THE CHILDRENS OFFICE 365 ACCOUNT.**
- Please can ALL children bring a water bottle to school with them, as well as a winter coat for playtimes and lunch time.