



Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn 2—2026/2027



Notices and Reminders

Welcome back to school! We hope that you had a wonderful half-term break.

Our PE day for this term is Wednesday. Please make sure that your child wears their PE kit to school on this day instead of their uniform.

On non-PE days, we ask that your child comes to school in correct school uniform. Full details about our uniform expectations can be found at:

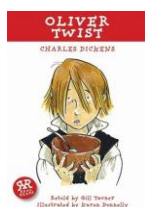
<https://www.mytchett.kite.academy/parents/school-uniform/>

Reading

This term the children will be reading 'The Secret Garden' by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

They will be focusing on reading with fluency and understanding vocabulary.

The class reads will be 'Oliver Twist' by Charles Dickens and 'The Dark' by Lemony Snicket.



Writing

In writing this half term, the children will finish retelling Kassim and the Greedy Dragon before moving on to an instructional text, How to Trap a Dragon. Throughout the unit, they will explore and apply a range of skills to further develop their writing.



Key Dates

November 2026

Monday 2nd to Wednesday 4th - Y5 Runways End residential

Saturday 7th - FFMPs fireworks evening

Wednesday 11th - YR writing workshop (2:30pm)

Thursday 12th - Christmas pantomime (Y1-Y6)

Thursday 12th - Non-school uniform day (£2 cash donation for FFMPs)

Tuesday 17th - Flu vaccinations

Thursday 19th - Individual and sibling photographs

Friday 20th - Children in Need day (wear something spotty/mufti)

Monday 30th - Y4 multiplication tables check parent workshop (2:45pm)

December 2026

Tuesday 1st - Y6 SATs parent workshop (2:45pm)

Friday 4th - Autumn family forum meeting (9:00am)

Wednesday 9th - EYFS Christmas singalong

Thursday 11th - SEND coffee afternoon (2:30pm)

Friday 11th - Autumn term SMILE afternoon (3:00pm)

Monday 14th - KS1 nativity performance (4:30pm)

Wednesday 16th - Christmas lunch (children wearing Christmas jumpers/mufti)

Wednesday 16th - KS2 carols in the courtyard (4:30pm)

Thursday 17th - FFMPs Christmas craft day

Friday 18th - Last day of term

Monday 21st to Friday 1st - Christmas holidays

Monday 4th January 2027 – spring term begins

Maths

The children will continue to master addition and subtraction skills. They will learn to add and subtract across a multiple of ten and solve problems with two-digit numbers. They will then learn about shape which will include investigating 2D and 3D shapes including vertices, sides, faces, edges, patterns and symmetry.



Science

This half term, the children will be learning why exercise and hygiene are important for our bodies. They will then learn how they can conserve energy at home and at school, focusing on their research skills. They will also be looking at renewable and non-renewable resources and how they can conserve materials.



History

This half term, the children will continue learning about the Victorian Era, focusing on what life was like for children. They will have the opportunity to compare their own lives with the living conditions of children during the Victorian Era.



DT

In DT this half term, the children will be learning how to make a stable structure by building a chair that will be suitable for Baby Bear. They will be learning about the key features of a stable structure, as well as how to construct, test and evaluate it.



PE

The focus in PE this half term will be on **dance**. The children will explore movement in a variety of ways, experimenting with different speeds, levels and body positions. They will develop their coordination, creativity and control and then begin to combine these movements to create a complete dance routine inspired by the theme of toys.

Computing

This half term, the children will learn what a photo is and how to take a great photograph. They will find out the difference between a photograph and a digital image, as well as how photographs and digital images can be stored. They will also explore composition, light and how to edit photographs to make them even better.



PSHE

This half term, the children will learn about positive friendships and the qualities of a good friend, including kindness, honesty and respect. They will explore ways to make friends, understand that friends can be different, and learn how to resolve disagreements. The children will also learn who they can talk to if they need help.



Suggested books for reading

