

## KSI: Fir and Oak – Weekly Newsletter



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Date: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term and that, despite the unpredictable weather, you were able to enjoy some special time together. It certainly sounds like many of you made the most of it! We have returned to school feeling refreshed, positive, and ready for a busy and exciting half term of learning.

### In English:

In English, our Short Burst Writing week has focused on developing key grammar skills. The children have been practising the correct use of capital letters and full stops, as well as learning how to use question marks and exclamation marks accurately. We have also been exploring exciting conjunctions to join ideas and working on improving sentence variety to make our writing more interesting and engaging.

### In Topic:

- Science – We have begun our new Topic on plants. This week, we have been learning about seasonal changes and exploring the variety of plants that grow in different seasons. The children particularly enjoyed going outside to look closely at the spring bulbs and spotting signs of spring around our school grounds.
- Creative Arts – This term, our DT topic is *Levers and Sliders*. Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring how these mechanisms work and designing and making our own moving pictures. This week, we have been looking at a range of picture books to see how levers and sliders are used, using them as inspiration for our own designs.
- Computing – We have been looking at coding and making our own music.
- RE – This term, we will be learning about the Easter story and the concept of salvation. This week, we have been thinking about who rescues us and how we can help and support others in our daily lives. The children have enjoyed sharing their ideas and reflecting on how they can show kindness and care to those around them.
- Music – We are exploring the beats we hear in music by listening carefully and tapping them out.
- Geography: We have been continuing looking at Whitby and looked at Jobs in the past.

### In Maths: Addition and Subtraction

Year 1 – Place Value within 50

This week we looked at counting in 10's within 50

Year 2 – multiplication and division

We have finished this topic this week by looking at counting and dividing by 10 and 5

### Important Messages/Dates::

Parents evening Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Year 2 Beaumanor parent meeting Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm

World Book Day Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

Secondhand book sale Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

Someone special pop up shop Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

### Phonics

The Year One children are doing a fantastic job in Phonics and are really enjoying using their newly found knowledge in both their reading and writing. It is wonderful to see their confidence growing each week.

To continue supporting your child at home, please could you take some time to look at the Year 1 tricky words on our website and practise these regularly.

Thank you for your continued support with reading at home. The children are all very motivated and are enjoying working towards earning their bookmarks.

New topics Maths homework books have been put into the folder on our website.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.