



Elm Class – Summer 2 Newsletter 2026

What's happening in Elm Class this Half Term?		
Maths	<p>Year 1 Numbers to 100: Counting, reading and writing numbers to 100, comparing and ordering numbers, understanding place value, and finding one more or one less. Money: Recognising coins and notes, counting money, comparing amounts, and solving simple practical problems involving money. Time: Understanding days, months and seasons, telling the time to the hour and half past the hour, and using time vocabulary to describe events and routines. Position and Direction: Describing position and movement using mathematical language, following and giving directions, and recognising whole, half, quarter and three-quarter turns.</p>	<p>Year 2 Money: Recognising and using pounds and pence, comparing amounts, finding totals, calculating change, and solving real-life money problems. Time: Telling and comparing the time, reading clocks to the nearest 5 minutes, understanding durations, and applying time knowledge to everyday situations. Position and Direction: Describing movement and position, using mathematical language such as left, right, above and below, and making turns including quarter, half and three-quarter turns.</p>
	<p>In English, we are continuing our report writing linked to habitats, where the children are developing their research, writing and presentation skills. Later in the term, we will be creating exciting travel journals as we 'visit' different parts of Africa, writing about the landscapes, animals and experiences we encounter along the way. Year 1 children will also be completing their Phonics Screening Check during the week of 8th–12th June.</p>	
English	<p>Year 1 Writing independent sentences using capital letters full stops and fingers spaces independently. Checking work independently Reading real and alien words independently</p>	<p>Year 2 Use the present and past tense (including progressive form). Use the conjunctions: when, if, that and because. Use apostrophes to mark singular possession in nouns.</p>
	<p>Wheels Keep Turning in Coventry In History we will be learning about the history of transport with particular focus on our local area. We will find out about the impact of Windrush migration on Coventry. We will also locate and find out about St Lucia. We will compare the climate, landscapes, food and homes of St Lucia to the UK.</p>	
History / Geography	<p>Green Fingers – Observing how plants grow. We will explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. We will find out about George Washington Carver and his agricultural discoveries. That plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. That plants take nutrients from the soil and that water enters through the root and is then transported around the plant.</p>	
Science	<p>Graphing – Children can create a variety of simple graphs by inputting data. We will be using 2Code to create own algorithms and create code using timers and repeat commands.</p>	
Computing	<p>Why are nature and the seasons significant for religion and worldviews? We will be considering why nature and the seasons be important for different religious and non-religious worldviews. We will consider how the nature and seasons have influenced</p>	
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Music	<p>key Christian, Muslim and Jewish festivals. We will also find out about the Hindu kala view of time being cyclical.</p> <p>In Music, we will be learning simple songs and developing basic instrumental skills by playing tunes using instruments.</p>
PSHE	<p>This half term our PSHE work will involve relationship education from week beginning 8th June 2026. The lesson objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Life Cycles -Changing me -My changing body -Girls' and boys' bodies -Learning and growing -Coping with changes <p>The children usually have lots of questions and may want to share their new-found knowledge with you. If you would like to discuss or view any of the content, we cover during the lessons please make an appointment with a member of staff via admin3215@welearn365.com</p>

Home Learning / Learning Opportunities

To support our history work you could ask older family members how cars have changed in their lifetime and whether they have any links to local car manufacturing.

In maths you could play shops, allow the children to handle and exchange money.

Year 1 children to regularly access Phonics Play and their Phonics Screening Check Revision Packs.

Dates to Remember

Homework

Year one homework will be sent out on a **Tuesday**. **Spellings** and **maths** will be on **Purple Mash**

Year Two's homework will be sent out on a **Tuesday**. **Spellings** will be on **Purple Mash** and the children will be encouraged to use **Times Tables Rock Stars** to help them to learn their multiplication facts.

Reading – please hear your child read at least three times a week.

Library books will be changed on a **Friday**.

PE days are on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**.

Thursday 4th June – Lower School visit to Coventry Transport Museum

Friday 19th June – Sports Afternoon and Summer Fayre

Tuesday 23rd June – Lower School Parental Engagement session