Lyng CofE Primary Academy

Autumn 2 2026 Newsletter

Cherry Class

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Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a wonderful, restful half term holiday!
The children have settled into school life brilliantly and we're super excited for more fantastic adventures in the coming weeks.

Should you have any queries or concerns at any time, please do get in touch with Mrs Taylor in the first instance, via the main school office.

This half term's learning:



We will be learning about celebrations and the change in seasons during our themed entitled 'Winter Wonderland'.

We will also be learning about Diwali, Guy Fawkes/Bonfire night, Hanukkah, Remembrance Sunday, Thanksgiving as we as the Nativity story and writing our own Christmas letters to post to the North Pole.

Our learning focuses:

We will be exploring the following texts:



As well as practising writing our names, we'll be story mapping, retelling stories: describing characters; sequencing; looking at rhymes (and making Gruffalo crumble!). We'll be using our phonics all the time, as we start to read and write words, captions and labels.
In phonics, we'll be continuing with our set 1 RWI sounds and word time sessions.
We will have our first trip - date TBC.
In maths we start our learning in the phase of shapes, and numbers 1- 5 where we will identify, compare, represent and construct these numbers at a greater depth.
We will explore 'why do Christians perform in Nativity plays at Christmas?' during our RE sessions.

Things to remember:

Please make sure you label every item that belongs to your child. If these items are not named, we cannot get them back to you.
Remember to interact with Tapestry. You can see what we get up to, and we'd love to add some things from home too.

PE and forest school will still be Thursdays.

Remember to keep reading at home and keeping up with the phonics sounds we send via email. Support your child to watch the videos and practice regularly any sound gaps that have been identified.
With the weather changing, please ensure your child has a change of clothes, appropriate waterproofs and wellies in school.