

Broke Hall Primary School

Year 1 Newsletter – Spring 2026

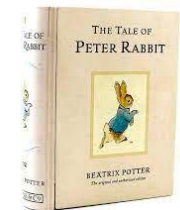
We wish you all a 'Happy New Year 2026'. We have had a fantastic start to the new year in Year One.

Power Maths

This term we will be focusing on identifying, ordering, writing numbers to 20 as well as the addition and subtraction within 20 before moving on to numbers to 50. Children will continue to use place value and compare numbers using =, < and >. Children will use resources to represent numbers when they calculate addition and subtraction number sentences up to 50. They will then apply these skills to solve addition and subtraction word problems. Later in the term children will learn about measurement including length, height, weight and volume.

English

We have planned lots of exciting English activities for this term. We have already been busy reading Peter Rabbit. Later this term, we will be reading 'Look up', 'Here we are' and 'Chocolate cake'. We will also be revisiting writing stories with familiar settings.



Homework

Reading- Books are changed on a Monday and a Friday. Reading at home is extremely beneficial to helping your child make progress and we strongly recommend reading regularly with your child at home. Please note in your child's diary when he/she has read at home then we can change the books as often as possible. You can help your child to receive a Super Dojo on a Friday by ensuring that they read three or more times a week at home.

Please also log into **Bug Club** where you can access a fantastic range of online books, games and resources to support your child.

Numbots-Your child has an individual password for Numbots where they can engage in fun activities to develop their mathematical understanding.

Other learning – Your child will continue to receive homework bingo to complete in their blue books. In line with our sustainability aims, the homework sheet has been emailed to you and appears in the Year 1 section of the website. Please help your child to choose a number of these fun activities to complete by the end of each half term. We love to see the imaginative ways children complete these activities.

Equipment

Please could you ensure that your child has the following equipment clearly named in school:

- Book bag.
- Indoor and outdoor P.E. kit.
- An apron in a named carrier bag. Please ensure that your child's apron has sleeves and fits them.
- A named bottle with water in it to keep in the classroom. We do not have water fountains inside school.



P.E.

This half term P.E. will be taught indoors on a Tuesday and outdoors on Thursday. Please ensure your child brings in a **named** P.E. kit including some warm kit for outside. Please remember plimsoles and trainers. We also ask that earrings are not worn on these days and long hair is tied back, thank you.



History, Geography, Science

In the first half term in Geography the children will be thinking about Seasons, seasonal variations and the weather associated to each.

In the second half of the term, the History focus will be on the History of Transport: children will learn about how transport has changed over time. The trip to the Transport museum is on Monday 23rd March. More details to follow.

During Science lessons, children will learn about animals including humans: they will classify these according to their attributes. The children will plant bulbs and observe the changes as plants grow.

We are here to help!

If you have any concerns, worries or questions please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher as soon as these arise. The best way to do this is to speak to the teacher at the end of the school day. If it is urgent please call the main office and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.



We need your help.

We value your support and would like to request your help to change books on a Monday and Friday and/or hear readers. You could make a real difference!

Volunteers will be required to have a DBS check and undertake a short safeguarding session provided by the school. Please see the volunteer information page on the school website or have a chat with one of the teachers if you think you may be able to help.

Our parent reading for enjoyment sessions this half term will be on Wednesdays from 2.45pm-3.10pm on 21/1/2026, 28/1/2026 and 4/2/2026. These sessions do not require you to have had a DBS check.