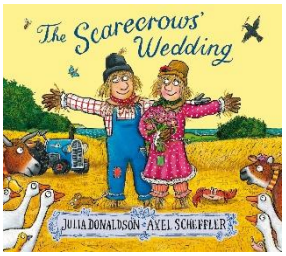
Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 13th November 2026

Dear Parent / Carer,

In Phonics, our sounds this week have been ‘a-e’ as in make, ‘o-e’ as in bone, ‘i-e’ as in time and ‘u-e’ as in rude and cube. These graphemes are called split vowel digraphs where one letter goes in between the two vowels. Our tricky words for the week have been: should, could, would, our. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.



In English lessons this week, we have continued to focus on letter formation. We have practised forming both capital and lower-case letters from the correct starting and finishing point. We have written dictated captions including these letters. We have continued to discuss the story ‘The Scarecrows’ Wedding’ by Julia Donaldson. We have discussed the meaning of the following tier two words: hunt, spotted, hurried, gathered, certain, exclaimed, staggering, sprinkled.

In DT this week, we have made predictions about whether a fruit or vegetable will grow above ground or underground. We looked at where edible parts of plants grow. Next week, we will begin to practise our food preparation skills by cutting and juicing different fruits and vegetables.



On **Monday 16th November**, we will be taking part in Odd Sock Day to celebrate Anti-Bullying Week. Children are invited to wear odd socks to help celebrate our differences – spotty/colourful & striped socks are all welcome!

Finally, we would like to invite you to our **Year 1 Christmas Open Door**. We would like to invite a maximum of 2 people per child, this can include a younger sibling, however we do ask that there are no prams in the classrooms. **1N’s Open Door will be on Monday 7th December** and **1K will have theirs on Wednesday 9th December**. Both sessions will **start at 2:40pm and finish at 3:10pm.**

Many thanks,

Miss Nicholson and Miss Knight