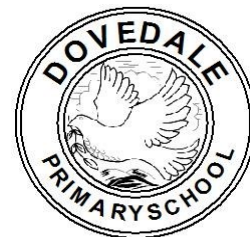


# Dovedale Primary School



## Welcome back—Spring 2025

*We hope everyone has had an enjoyable break!*

*Please read on for more information about what to look forward to this term and how you can support your child.*

## What's happening this term

### Reading

Children will take part in daily phonics/reading comprehension lessons at school, building their confidence and skills in reading. They will bring home two books carefully matched to the sounds they are learning in class. Spending just a few minutes reading with your child each day can make a big difference to their progress and enjoyment of reading. Please remember to return your child's reading book to school on Wednesdays so it can be prepared to go home again on Thursday. Thank you for your support in fostering a love of reading!

### Maths

We will continue using the math's mastery approach, which helps to build children's confidence and fluency across all areas of math's. This term, we aim to explore the following key mathematical concepts in depth.

For homework, we will use the Sumdog platform, where teachers will assign tasks weekly, carefully aligned with the

Spring 1	Introduction to multiplication and introduction to division structures
Spring 2	Shape and addition/subtraction of two-digit numbers

learning taking place in class.

### Writing

In the spring term, two engaging texts will inspire the children's writing. After exploring *The Bog Baby*, they will create a narrative and write detailed instructions on how to build a habitat. Following their reading of *Grandad's Island*, the children will craft a return narrative and an informative report on jungle animals, linking their learning to the story. We kindly ask that you refrain from reading these texts with your child beforehand, as this can impact the flow and effectiveness of our English lessons. Thank you for your understanding and support!



### Science

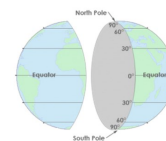
This term, our focus in science will be on animals, including humans, and living things in their habitats. We will explore the following key areas: understanding that animals, including humans, have offspring that grow into adults; learning about the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival; recognising the importance of exercise, a balanced diet, and good hygiene for humans; and examining how different habitats meet the basic needs of various types of animals.

### Art

This term, our focus is on print and design. We will explore primary and secondary colors, experimenting with mixing tints and shades. Our work will be inspired by African patterns and the renowned artist Yinka Shonibare.

### Geography

In Geography, we will compare Liverpool with Mumbai, India, exploring similarities and differences in areas such as diet, housing, culture, religion, weather, land use (vegetation), population, and hygiene. To kick off the topic, we will host an Indian Day at school, filled with exciting activities to immerse the children in the vibrant culture of India.



### PE

Children will be receiving PE lessons from their class teacher, as well as Miss Jones. They will arrive into school on Wednesday in PE kits as usual. We will develop our skills in gymnastics, focusing on balancing, sequencing and shape development. We will then move onto striking and fielding enhancing our skills in agility, hand-eye coordination and team work.

### Class Dojo

We will now be able to communicate with parents through the Class Dojo App, where you can see posts of children's work or other information about the learning.



**ClassDojo**

### School website

For more detailed information in all subjects visit the Year 2 class page and curriculum page at [www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk](http://www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk)