

Year 1

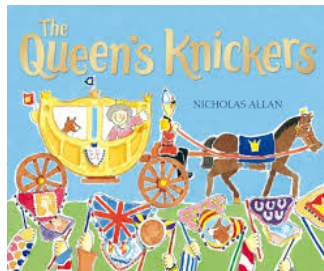
St John the Baptist C of E Primary School

'Creating new possibilities for our future, with compassion in our hearts and courage on our journey.'



Summer 1 - Learning Overview

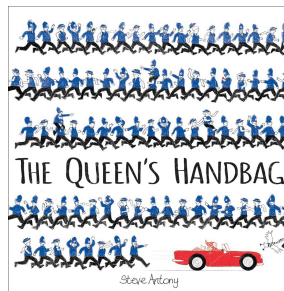
Learning Journey 1: The Queen's Knickers



Hook: Mysterybag arrives.

Outcome: To write a persuasive invitation.

Learning Journey 2 : Queen's handbag



Hook: letter arrives

Outcome: To write a narrative

What we will be teaching:

English:

In phonics, we are revisiting our Phase 5 sounds and practising using alternative graphemes so that children begin to spell words "the grown-up way." In writing, we are continuing to use our Chimp and Check routine to edit our work, making sure we include capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops. We are also learning how to make our sentences more exciting by adding adjectives to describe people, places, and objects.

Maths:

In maths this term, we will be learning how to measure and compare mass using practical activities. We'll also continue developing our early multiplication and division skills, alongside further work on addition, subtraction, and strengthening our understanding of place value. The children will also be learning precise mathematical vocabulary so they can confidently talk about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

History:

This term we will be learning about famous Queens from the past and exploring what their lives were like. The children will then compare three significant Queens, looking closely at the similarities and differences between their experiences, roles, and achievements.

Science:

This term we will be learning about the four seasons, with a special focus on summer. We'll explore how the weather, plants, animals, and even our clothing change throughout the year. Through outdoor observations and hands-on activities, the children will build a clear understanding of how the world around us changes across the seasons.

Art:

This term we will be exploring portrait painting by creating portraits of the Queen. They'll learn how to look closely at facial features, mix colours, and use paint to show expression and detail. Alongside this, we will enjoy a fun design project inspired by *The Queen's Knickers*, where we will design a pair of knickers using patterns, colours, and creative decoration.

D&T:

The children will be learning about food preparation by making their own scones. They'll explore where ingredients come from, follow a simple recipe, and practise basic skills such as mixing, measuring, and shaping dough.

Music:

This term in music, the children will be exploring how sound can be used to create pictures and tell stories. They will compose their own simple pieces, experiment with musical notation, and use technology to record or create sounds. The children will also develop their playing skills using classroom instruments and learn how music can be organised through patterns and structure.

RE:

This term in RE, we will be learning about Passover, an important festival in Judaism. The children will explore the story behind Passover and find out how Jewish families celebrate it today, including special foods, traditions, and the meaning of the Seder meal. This helps the children understand how religious beliefs are expressed through celebrations and rituals.

Computing:

This term in computing, the children will be learning how to create digital writing. They will explore how to type, edit, and format text on a computer, experimenting with different tools to change the appearance of their work. Through these activities, the children will learn how technology can help us compose, improve, and present writing in a clear and creative way.

PE:

In PE this term, the children will be developing their searching and problem-solving skills by using clues and pictures to find specific items, as well as navigating space safely and exploring unusual equipment to build coordination and motor skills. They will also be practising how to move quickly while staying aware of others, tackling obstacle courses with speed and control, and thinking carefully about which type of throw works best in different situations.

PDL:

This term in PDL, the children will be learning about doing their best and developing a Growth Mindset, helping them understand that effort and perseverance help them improve. They will also learn about healthy eating, hygiene, and how to look after their bodies, as well as the importance of cooperation and working well with others.

Messages to parents:

Welcome back to Summer term 1! We hope you all had an enjoyable and restful break over Easter.

PE remains on **Monday** and **Friday**.

Our library day is still on a **Tuesday** and the children's bug club books will continue to be changed on a **Thursday**.

Please keep reading with your child at home at least 4 times a week as this really supports their learning.

Please keep completing the phonics activities in the phonics packs that were sent home.

As always, please contact us if you need any support with your child, as working in partnership is so important to us.

The Year 1 Team

