Brough Primary School

Learning, Achieving and Growing Together

Year 1 Curriculum Information

Autumn Term 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

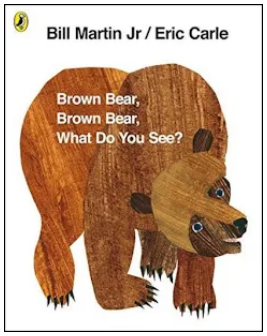
Welcome to the Autumn Term!

We are looking forward to an exciting term full of new learning experiences and opportunities. Below is an overview of the topics your child will be studying this term.

📚 English

In our English lessons, children practise their handwriting using the Little Wandle scheme, grouping letters into "handwriting families."

After half term, we will build on this by writing full sentences using capital letters, full stops, and different sentence starters like *He*, *She*, *The*, *It*, and *They*. Our learning will be based around the story *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* by Bill Martin Jr and Eric Carle.



📖 Reading at Home

Regular reading is one of the most effective ways to support your child's learning.

Please talk to your child about any stories you are reading together and ask them to predict what might happen next or explain their favourite part.

🔢 Mathematics

Our focus areas this term are:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction (within 10) & Shape

You can make a big difference to your child's confidence in maths by practising little and often.

Things you could do together at home:

- Count everyday objects - steps, coins, cars etc.
- Practise number bonds - quick fire 'What makes 10?' games.
- Play board games - dice games helps with counting and adding.

🔬 Science

- Animals Including Humans
- Seasonal Changes

Things you could do together at home:

- Discuss the weather and which season we are currently in and what happens in this season.

🎨 Art & Design

- Drawing and painting - create a MacKenzie Thorpe-inspired animal or person.

💻 Computing

- Technology Around Us - developing their keyboard and mouse skills.
- Digital Painting

Online safety

- Managing Online Information
- Self-Image and Identity

Things you could do together at home:

- Discuss safe internet use and about keeping personal information safe.

⚙️ Design & Technology

- Mechanisms — Sliders and Levers - create a picture with moving parts (levers and sliders).

Things you could do together at home:

- Share pop up and moving picture books.

🌍 Geography

- Focus — UK Weather - creating their own weather forecast.

Things you could do together at home:

- Notice weather patterns - sunny, cloudy, windy, rainy.
- Watching weather forecasts together.

🏛️ History

Why is Guy Fawkes remembered?

- Guy Fawkes & The Gunpowder Plot

🎵 Music

- Musical Knowledge - hear and clapping along to the pulse of the music.
- Performance — Christmas Performance and Singing

🏃 Physical Education

- **Autumn 1:** Story Time Dance / Skip to the Beat
- **Autumn 2:** Throwing and Catching / Groovy Gymnastics

Please ensure PE kits are in school and clearly named.

✝️ Religious Education

- Belonging
- Christmas

❤️ PSHE

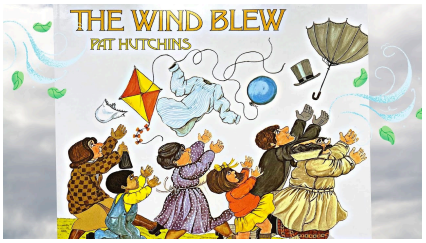
- Me and My Relationships
- Valuing Difference

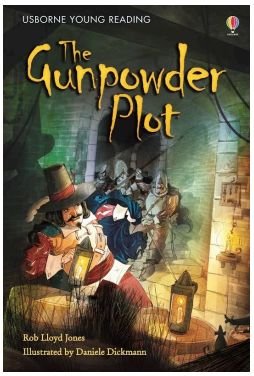
🤝 Working Together

Homework will be sent home on a **Friday** and should be returned the following **Tuesday**.

Homework is linked directly to the phonics sounds and words your child has been learning in class.

Useful books to share with your child at home linked to the topics they are studying this term:







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