



Dallington CEP  
The Street  
Dallington  
East Sussex

# Dallington Church of England Primary School Spring 2025



Brightling Class  
Spring 2025

Dear Parents/guardians

We hope you've had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed some family time. The children have settled back into school really quickly and we have seen some really positive attitudes to learning. There's lots to learn in this term and we can't wait to see what the children achieve.

Our team consists of:

Class teacher—Mrs Bloom (Mon—Tues)

- Mr Kirk (Weds-Fri)

Teaching assistant—Mrs Langley and Mrs Bridges (Tuesday and Wednesday am)

Individual Needs Assistants—Mrs Hutchinson and Mrs Smith

Our learning journey for this term is **Eureka!**

We will be looking at natural disasters, including volcanic eruptions and earthquakes. We will continue to learn about life in Sussex by comparing where we live to other parts of the world and the challenges faced there.

Our aim as a team is always to make school and learning as fun and enjoyable as possible. We know that this last couple of years before secondary can sometimes be hard work. All we ask is that children come to school, ready to learn, with a positive attitude and a willingness to try.

This term homework will focus on the key skills of reading, spelling, grammar and mathematics. Activities will be sent home to help you support with this and set using Maths.co.uk and spag.com.

### PE is on Thursdays.

Please remember that the children will be swimming for the first half of this term. All children should come to school with appropriate swimming kit including a towel. **The whole class will be attending swimming lessons irrespective of their participation in the pool.** Swimming is an important and enjoyable life skill; for experienced swimmers, this is a chance to work with qualified coaches on swimming technique whilst our novice swimmers have this excellent opportunity to gain proficiency.

After half term, children are asked to attend school dressed appropriately for PE. PE is an important and enjoyable part of the curriculum. We hope that all the children will continue to participate in these lessons to the best of their ability.

We are both really excited to build on the successes of the autumn and see what is in store for 2025.

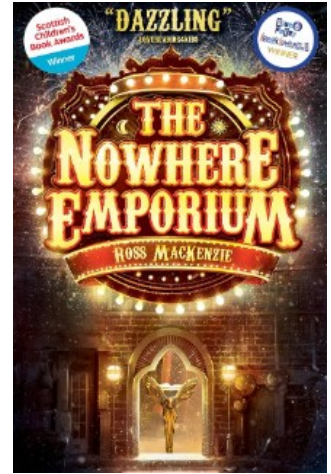
Thank you for your support.

Mrs Bloom and Mr Kirk

## English

In English we will be looking at fantasy stories and reading the book *The Nowhere Emporium*. We will use this text as inspiration and think about how we can use language effectively to create our own descriptions of character and setting.

Although we are now at the top end of the school, reading still remains vitally important to all children. Please try to encourage your children to read and look for texts that they enjoy! This doesn't always have to be traditional books: magazines, graphic novels, non fiction or e-books are all still valuable and great practise.



## Mathematics

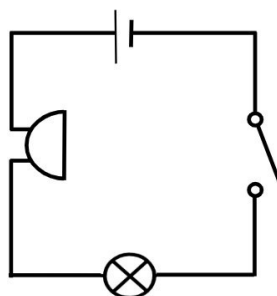
In mathematics we will be looking at multiplication and division and applying this to more challenging problem solving activities. Following this we will look at, fractions, decimals and percentages. We will explore how these areas are linked and how we can use our knowledge to problem solve. We will also be focusing on our arithmetic practice and look towards finding efficient and speedy ways to solve these questions.

We continue to have a big focus on knowing number facts with rapid recall and ensuring the children are confident with their times tables facts. Having this recall is a huge benefit to them as they start to encounter more challenging maths. **Please encourage your children to log in and play Times Table Rockstars every week or as often as possible.**

## Science

This term in Science we will be looking at electricity. We will build our own circuits and draw diagrams to represent them. We will change the circuits and investigate what effect these changes have.

After half term we will be leaning about Forces. We will look at gravity, air resistance and water resistance. Exploring the effects of these on moving objects.



## Computing

This term we will be exploring conditions and selection using a programmable microcontroller. After half term we will be designing our own web pages based on our interests and learning this term.

## Music

As well as regular singing assemblies and individual music lessons, in early February we will be taking part in the Young Voices tribute to the life of Bob Marley. In class we will be exploring composition and song writing.

## PE

Until half term our PE will be swimming.

We will be working towards performing in the Big Dance—more details about this to follow. The children will also be playing team games, looking at different positions, tactics and working together.

## RSHE (Relationship, Social and Health Education)

This term we will be looking at bullying and asking the key questions 'What is homophobic bullying?' After half term we will be looking at keeping ourselves safe, including keeping safe online.

## RE

This term we will be looking at Christianity and asking the question 'What kind of King was Jesus?' After half term we will continue our study of Christianity by thinking about Easter and considering 'What difference does the resurrection make?'

## Art

Our focus this term is Painting. We will link our art work to our topic learning and explore the work of Stephanie Peters, who uses weather and natural disasters as inspiration for her work.



## DT

After half term, we will be building on our planning and evaluating skills and using our knowledge of electricity to design a bedroom light.

## Modern Foreign Languages

We will continue to explore French orally. Following the children's success in creating fact files about the solar system and Christmas Children's books in Term Two, we will be designing card and board games based on personal characteristics.