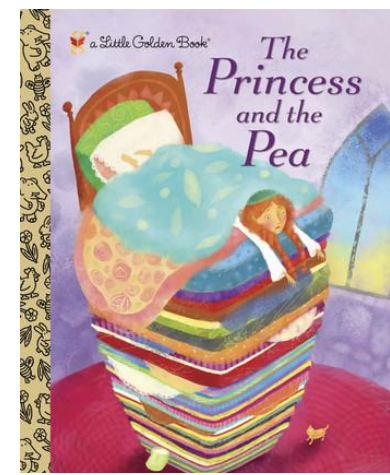
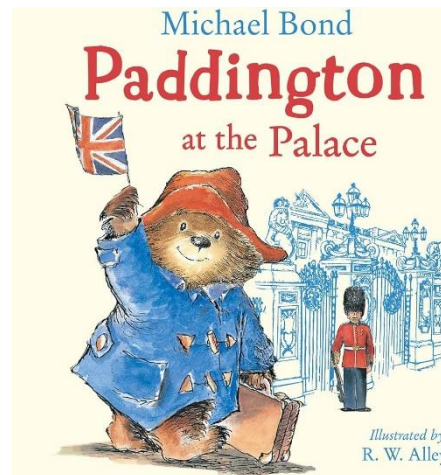
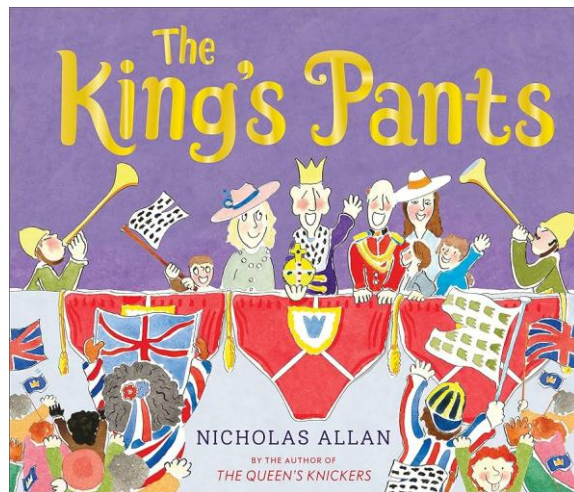


Who wears the crown?

Year 1 and Year 2

Autumn 1

2026



Week 1 INSET Day	What is a monarch? In English Squirrels, Shrews and Hedgehogs class will listen to the story 'The Kings Pants' and become familiar with the modelled text, focusing on simple sentence composition. They will start to discuss and unpick the features of a sentence and come up with vocabulary linking to the story. In Maths Year 2 will be looking at numbers to 20, counting objects to 100 and recognising 10s and 1s. Year 1 are sorting and counting objects of different amount from a larger group. In Topic this week the children will learn what a monarch is. They will learn who the current monarch of the UK is and travel back in time to meet 3 past queens. In ICT this week children will develop their understanding of what information technology is. They will identify devices that are computers. In RE we will be starting a unit on Christianity. This week there will be a focus on the artefacts that belong to the Christian religion and how these are used in a Church. In PE this week we will start our unit of 'playground games'.
Week 2	Who was Queen Elizabeth II? In English Squirrels, Shrews and Hedgehogs will be continue to explore and practice simple sentence composition, recognising and using capital letters, full stops, nouns and verbs. In Maths Year 2 will be using place value charts, and learning to partition numbers up to 100. Year 1 are recognising numbers as words and counting on from any number with 10 or 20. In Science this week children will identify, name, draw and label basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. In Topic this week the children will learn about Queen Elizabeth II, our most recent queen within living memory. They will learn about her family tree and learn how she is the longest reigning monarch. In ICT children will consider uses of information technology in a context they are familiar with. In Music this week children will start their unit focusing on pulse and rhythm, with the theme being 'All about me.' This week children will demonstrate an understanding of pulse by using parts of their body. In PSHE this week the children will start their new unit called 'Being me in my world'. They will discuss how they can feel special and safe in their classroom, and how they belong to their class. In RE the children will find out more about the importance of Jesus in the Christian religion. In PE this week we will continue to look at classic playground games.
Week 3	Who turned the Queen pink?

	In English Squirrels will write simple sentences linked to the story that follow the colourful semantics format of: who, doing what, where. Shrews and Hedgehogs will be drafting, editing and publishing a letter to King Charles, informing him of the pair of pants that they have designed for him. In Maths Year 2 will be writing numbers to 100 in words and learning to flexibly partition numbers. Year 1 will be doing 1 more and 1 fewer. In Science this week children will carry out simple tests to compare and classify and identify each taste and categorise them into sweet, salty, sour and bitter. In Topic this week the children will learn about digital art and create a picture of a monarch using their learnt techniques. In RE we will start looking at the ways in which Jesus showed his love. The focus will be on the miracle of turning water into wine. In Music the children will explore using a thinking voice to show the pulse. In PE this week we will focus on participating in playground games that require team work, developing our skills for attacking.
Week 4	Who was Queen Victoria? In English Squirrels, Hedgehogs and Shrews will listen to the story Paddington at the Palace and explore the modelled text, which is a set of instructions. Hedgehogs and Shrews will learn the spelling, punctuation and grammar required to write their own set of instructions. The children in Squirrels class will explore <i>Paddington at the Palace</i> through storytelling, drama and imagination, building their vocabulary and learning to create exciting sentences. In Maths Year 2 will continue to flexibly partition numbers. Year 1 will be counting back within 10. In Science this week children will identify a variety of animals and match to its offspring. In Topic this week the children will learn about Queen Victoria. In ICT children will explore IT in environments beyond school, including home and familiar places such as shops. In Music this week children will play short rhythms in time with a pulse. In PSHE this week the children will know how to make their class a safe place for everybody to learn. In RE we will continue looking at the ways in which Jesus showed his love through the miracle in which Jesus calmed the storm.
Week 5	What was the Victorian period like? In English, the children in Squirrels class will create their own Paddington adventures, using their imagination to tell their stories and writing simple sentences to bring them to life. The children in Hedgehogs and Shrews will be writing a set of

	instructions to make Paddington a marmalade sandwich. Afterwards, they will make the sandwich, following their own set of instructions. In Maths Year 2 will be recalling bonds to 10, finding fact families and finding related facts. Year 1 will be Compare groups by matching. In Science this week children will observe lifecycles over time and research the lifecycles of different animals. In Topic this week the children will learn about what the Victorian period was like. In ICT children will explore the benefits of using IT in the wider world. They will focus on the use of IT in a shop and how devices can work together. In Music this week children will demonstrate an understanding of pulse through performance. In PSHE this week children will recognise how it feels to be proud of an achievement. In RE we will look at the ways in which Jesus helped others through his miracle of the loaves and fish. In PE this week we will focus on participating in playground games that require team work, developing our skills for defending.
Week 6	Who was Queen Elizabeth I? In English, the children will explore <i>The Princess and the Pea</i> through an exciting story hook, drama, acting and hot seating. They will explore the characters and setting, develop new vocabulary and share their ideas through lots of speaking and listening activities. In Maths Year 2 will find bonds to 100 in 10s, add and subtract 1s and add by making 10. Year 1 will be learning to use the terms less than, greater than, equal to and the related symbols. In Science this week children will describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and hygiene. In Topic this week In ICT children will consider how they use different forms of IT safely, in a range of different environments. In Music this week children will start a new unit focussing on children using their bodies and instruments to listen and respond to pieces of music with fast and slow speeds; learn and perform a rhyme and a song focussing on fast and slow. This week they will expressively use their voices and bodies to respond to tempo. In PSHE this week children will recognise the range of feelings when they face certain consequences. In RE we will focus on how Jesus performed miracles to help people feel better. We will focus on the story of the thankful leper and will also consider what we have to be thankful for. In PE this week we will look at some new playground games.
Week 7	Can I compare the 3 Queens?

	In English, the Squirrels class will retell and explore the story using story maps, role play and drama. They will have opportunities to imagine what the characters might think, feel and say, share their own ideas and build colourful semantic sentences using interesting vocabulary. Children in Hedgehogs and Shrews will be exploring the vocabulary and the spelling, punctuation and grammar that is required for writing their own narrative. In Maths Year 2 will add and subtract across 10. Year 1 will be ordering and comparing numbers. In Science this week children will make simple predictions from what they have observed. In Topic this week In ICT children will think about choices that are made when using information technology, and the responsibility associated with those choices. In Music this week the children will practise a rhyme using fast and slow beats on an instrument. In PSHE this week children will understand their choices in following the learning charter. In RE this week the children will learn about how Jesus made a blind man see. They will be sequencing the events in the story. In PE this week we will play a variety of our favourite playground games using the skills developed throughout the unit.
Week 8	In English, the children in Squirrels will create their own ideas inspired by <i>The Princess and the Pea</i>, orally rehearse and perform their stories, and record their best ideas using simple, colourful semantic sentences, focusing on clear sentence structure, vocabulary and basic punctuation. The children in Hedgehogs and Shrews will draft, edit and publish their own narrative. The children will rewrite the story 'The Pea and the Princess', changing some of the events and characters. In Maths Year 2 will continue to add and subtract across 10. In Science this week children will observe the changes across the four seasons. In Topic this week all of our learning from the half term will culminate in a reflective project. In Music this week the children will use their voices to perform a song with fast and slow beats. In PSHE this week children will understand their choices in following the learning charter. In RE this week, the children will find out about how Christians celebrate the Harvest Festival. In PE this week we will play a variety of our favourite playground games using the skills developed throughout the unit.
Half term	