

Year 1 - Term 1

Welcome back to school and to Year 1! We are very excited to have you and are looking forward to working with you over the next year.

English

During English this term we will be developing our skills of sentence writing, remembering to use capital letters and full stops. Children will also continue to develop their cursive handwriting skills. We will be reading a range of picture books including; 'I Will Never Eat a Tomato' by Lauren Child, 'Hoot Owl' By Sean Taylor, 'So Much' by Trish Cook and 'The Bee Who Spoke' by Al MacCuish. Some of these stories will be linked to our Science topic 'Animals including humans', our PSHE topic 'Healthy Eating' and our RE topic 'The Story of Creation'.

Maths

This term, the children will be embedding their knowledge of Place Value and Addition and Subtraction. We will also be introducing problem solving and reasoning skills from the beginning of term to try and develop their critical thinking.

Topic- History and Geography

Our Topic focus is 'Memory Box', the children will be exploring what makes them unique and will have to opportunity to share their own memories. We will be looking at the differences between babies and children and discussing how they have grown and developed since they were born. Any baby pictures you would be willing to share with us would be greatly appreciated- they will be returned when we have finished the topic!

Science

We will be looking at Animals Including Humans. This will link in with our topic work and the children will have the opportunity to explore their 5 senses and the different classifications of animals.

PE

Children will have one session a week which will alternate termly between indoor and outdoor, along with a 15 minute daily 'Golden Mile'. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear, especially for outdoor PE as cold children tend to be very miserable children! Earrings will need to be removed or covered with your own tape. PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE NAMED.

Notices

Parent/ guardian information session-

There will be a parent information session held in the school hall at 2.30 on Thursday 13th September. The main purpose of this is to give you an idea of what your children will be learning over the year. This will be for the parents/ guardians of all children in year 1 and will be presented by Mrs Coleman, Mrs Richards and Miss Orrell. You do not need to confirm your attendance, just come to the school office at 2.20, ready to start at 2.30. Small children are welcome.

Forest School-

Both classes will be visiting the Forest School on Thursday 4th October and Thursday 11th October. Please send your child into school in their uniform as usual, along with appropriate clothing for being outside to change into. This usually includes long trousers, a long sleeved jumper or top and a pair of wellies.

Home learning- please encourage your child to complete one piece per week to the best of their ability. House points will be awarded for effort, presentation and interest and books will be marked and returned by Friday afternoon.

Phonics- There is a phonics screening test in the summer term for all year 1 children so we will send home sounds for you to practise with your child throughout the year.

Reading- We will be sending reading books home and recommend that you try to listen to your child at least 3 times a week. Children are encouraged to choose their own books so may sometimes come home with a book that they have already read to read again. Make sure you record in their reading journal each time you read with your child as they may be in line for a special prize!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask or pop a note in your child's contact book.

We are looking forward to an exciting year in year 1!

Mrs Coleman, Miss Orrell and Mrs Richards