

Year 1 Newsletter Autumn 2 2021-2022

We have had a fantastic start to the school year! We appreciate all of your efforts in making your child's transition into Year One as smooth as it has been. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to ask.

Topic

Our Topic this term is 'Explorers' where we will be studying explorers of our world and beyond, looking at our solar system. Our investigations will lead us to become explorers of our own local area and how this differs to others around the world. We will be looking at a variety of different maps and what these are useful for. We will continue to look at environments and discuss natural and human made objects in the world. In art we will continue to explore mixed media linked to a variety of celebrations.

For history we will be looking at our local area and how the world around us has changed in short and longer periods of time.

Maths

In maths we are continuing to look at addition and will move into subtraction, using concrete materials, part-part-whole mats, drawing pictures to work out answers. We will keep exploring problem solving and reasoning to find answers and justify them. We will continue to use concrete resources to deepen our understanding and ensure we are able to use different counting strategies to find the total amount.



Keep baking and keeping track of how long it takes your child to do simple tasks - like brushing their teeth, getting dressed, making their bed, tidying up their toys etc.

We have sent home Mathletics passwords, please continue to access this from home.

English

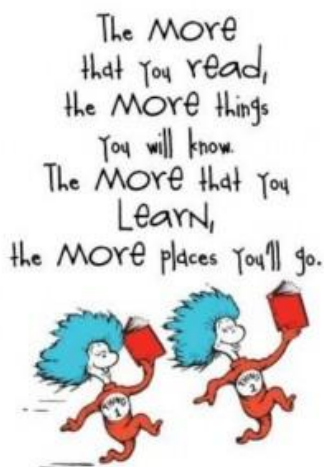
This term we will be reading The Naughty Bus and Astro Girl. The main characters in these stories go on adventures learn about the world around them.

Reading

We cannot stress enough the importance of having your child read to you daily. We are asking for a minimum of 10 minutes each day. Please keep your child's book in their bookbag

so it comes to school every day. We aim to read with your child at least twice a week and your child requires the consistency of reading the same book.

It is noticeable when children are reading regularly at home and they are proud to share this with the class. When your child is confident with their home reader, it will be changed.



Science

This term we will continue the study of weather and seasonal change and will continue to track weather patterns for each month. The children have been using lots of scientific language and are particularly fond of the different cloud types taught throughout the first half of our Autumn term, can they tell you the names of any of these clouds?



P.E

Below are the P.E days for the different classes. Please ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit on their specific day, with the correct footwear. All sessions are outdoors so it is essential that your child wears tracksuit bottoms or leggings on their PE day (if they are cold they can also wear their school jumper).

PE Timetable		
1FP	Monday	Thursday
1AM	Monday	Tuesday
1NS	Tuesday	Wednesday

Nature Garden

Please see the days below for when your child will visit the nature garden. Please ensure they have warm, waterproof (if possible) clothing and wellies on the following days. Wellies and waterproofs should be named and also sent to school in a named bag.

Nature Garden Timetable	
1EB	Friday
1AM	Friday
1NS	Friday

REQUESTS

If you have any items that we can use for junk modelling, they would be much appreciated. We will leave a box outside the classrooms for any junk modelling donations.

Daily timetable:
9:00-9:10 Handwriting/ Finger Gym
9:10-9.40 English/Maths
9.40-10.15 COOL Time (Choose Our Own Learning)/Group work
10.15-10.40 Phonics
10.40-11.00- Break
11:00- 12:00 COOL Time/Group work
LUNCH
1:00-1.30 Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE/
1.30- 3:00 COOL Time/Reading
3:00 Assembly/Story time/discussions/show and tell
3.30- Home time

Thank you all for your continued support in your child's learning journey. We look forward to the fun filled term ahead.

The Year 1 Team 😊