

Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 2018-19

Year 1



Homework

Reading: Children should read at least four times a week at home, and their reading diaries should be signed by an adult each time they read. Team points will be awarded for home reading. Books need to be reread before independently being changed.

Phonics: To support your child in phonics at home, a sheet outlining the taught graphemes will be sent home with opportunity for your child to recall words containing this sound. In addition, a small list of 'tricky' words will need to be practised.

Maths: This half term we will focus on place value. Please practise counting forwards and backwards from any given number within 100. To aid fluency and recall, please also practise adding and subtracting using numbers to 20. In year One, we regularly count in twos, fives and tens as a precursor to times tables.

PE Kit: Year 1 will need their PE kits in school every day. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit and has appropriate wear for indoor and outdoor PE lessons

Important Dates

Monday 17th September: Parent Information Evening
Friday 28th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning
Friday 5th October: Comedy Night
Thursday 25th October: Fireworks!
Friday 26th October: End of Half Term
Friday 16th November: Individual (Sibling) Photo's
Monday 19th November: Parents Evening
Friday 7th December: New Vic Visit
Wednesday 12th December: Performance 9:30am
Thursday 13th December: Performance 1:30pm
Friday 21st December: Christmas Part Day.
End of Term

Our topic this term will be...

Once Upon a Time

During this term we will explore a range of stories familiar to the children. The topic will be English subject centred but will also incorporate creative opportunities across the Year 1 curriculum including: Geography, History, Art, Science and DT. We hope to host a Fairytale Wedding during the second half term to celebrate all our learning.

Some subjects, maths and PE particularly, will be taught stand-alone to ensure that the appropriate skills are taught. Our music teaching will centre on learning songs ready for our fabulous Christmas Performance.

We wish to reassure you that this half term will build on the transition from their Reception Year and the speed of this transition will be directed by the children.

So far, they have all settled in wonderfully!

You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:

- Daily reading practise with your child (remember to discuss the text and ask questions)
- Daily reading **TO** your child
- Practise times tables and key number facts
- Supporting your child in becoming more independent in getting organised for school and remembering their homework

For additional information and resources to support your child's learning, please see our new school website and the home school links diaries.

Please feel free to contact us with any queries and we will try to help wherever possible. We look forward to working alongside you and your child.

Mr Drakeley and Mrs O'Rourke

Mrs Lomax, Mrs Sherratt and Mrs Ranjana