

# YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER



## Welcome to Year One!

A very warm welcome back to school, I hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing summer. We have had a great first week back at school as I get to know all the children and they settle into the routines of Year One.

## English

This term we will be looking at fiction, non-fiction and poetry; reading a range of books and texts that link in with the children's interests as well as cross-curricular links with science and topic. The grammar focus will be to form upper and lower case letters, leave finger spaces between words and to use capital letters at the start of sentences and for the names of people, places and the days of the week. Children will also have daily handwriting, supported reading and phonics sessions.

## Maths

In maths we will be ensuring all children are confident counting, reading and writing numbers up to 20. Children will solve addition and subtraction problems using their knowledge of number order (counting on and counting back) and number bonds. We will be doubling and halving and counting in 2's. This term we will also be looking at geometry (recognising and naming 2D and 3D shapes).

## RE

We will be following the Come and See scheme of work for RE. This term our topics will be the Domestic Church (family), Baptism and Advent.

Our Christmas Nativity this year will be with Year Two, on December 13th. Everyone is welcome! It's sure to be a wonderful way to see in the festive season. More details nearer the time.

## Science

We will begin with the topic 'Animals, including humans'. Children will label different body parts and learn about our senses through lots of practical activities and exploration. We will compare the human body to other animals and learn about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.

## Topic (History and Geography)

In History this term we will be covering the topic 'Why Do We Celebrate the 5th November?'. We will be learning all about Bonfire Night and the Gunpowder plot, as well as creating some colourful artwork and poems. We will be alternating History and Geography topics, and will have a Geography focus next term.

## Computing

Children will be learning basic skills including logging onto the computers, using the keyboard and mouse to access simple computer programmes as well as using the iPads to support cross-curricular learning.

## Spanish

We will be learning basic greetings in Spanish through songs and games as well as everyday routines, for example taking the register.

## Monday

- PE - please ensure children's PE kit is fully labelled with their name.
- Reading Books will be changed. Please take time to read with your child at home and sign their yellow reading record.

## Wednesday

- Home learning due in.

## Thursday

- Music with Miss Dyer.
- Reading books will be changed.

## Friday

- Weekly spelling test - words will be linked to phonics.
- New home learning and spellings given out.