

Year 1
Newsletter
11th January 2019

Welcome back, I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break.

The children have settled into their new classroom with me very well and have been very helpful in telling me the routines they know so well.

The children are really enjoying our role play area of an airport and have written their own passport and tickets ready to fly. They are going to some wonderful, exotic places.

Thank you for your patience at home time while I get to know you and I look forward to getting to know you more.

Miss Daum

Maths

This half term, we will continue to look at place value of numbers up to 100 understanding what each number represents. We will also be counting forwards and backwards in steps of 2, 5 and 10s. Once we have practised counting in 2, 5 and 10s we will be using these numbers to work out division number sentences. We will be looking at different practical methods to add and subtract numbers to 100. Using these methods we will be beginning to try and solve problems.



This half term our theme is 'Rio de Vida'. We will be finding out lots about Brazil and focusing particularly on the Rio carnival.

Within our English lessons, we will make links with the theme to support our writing of postcards, stories about Brazilian myths and instructions to make a Brazilian snack.

In our music lessons we will be focusing on what a percussion instrument is, how we can play the instrument, how we can make it loud or quiet and play it in time with a piece of music. We will also be comparing British and Brazilian music.

In Geography we will be looking at maps and globes, learning the names of the different continents and oceans and finding where Brazil and the United Kingdom are. When we have located Brazil we will be looking at what it is like as a country and comparing it to the United Kingdom.

In our art & design technology sessions we will be making carnival head dresses and Brazilian instruments ready for a carnival day.

In computing we will be looking at the film Rio and creating puppets from this. With the puppets we will be creating and filming our own scenes of the film.

Also, during our Dance (P.E.) lessons we will be practising our own carnival dance based on the film Rio. Outside PE we will be practising a range of skills such as running through obstacles, throwing and catching and aiming.

Dates for the diary:

Week beg 14th January – Clubs begin
Mon 14th January – Pantomime

Wed 30th Jan – Books before bed

Fri 1st Feb – Number day

Tues 5th Feb – Internet safety day

Fri 15th February – Year 1 and 2 celebration

Fri 15th February - END OF TERM



Some KS1 Classroom routines & reminders:

Reading planners will be checked on a Monday morning to complete reading reward bookmarks. If a child needs to **change their reading book** their book and planner needs to be placed in the green tray.

Home learning will be marked on a Friday and set for the week ahead on a Friday. If there is a note that you would like me to read and respond to, please ask your child to put their book in the green tray. I will then aim to respond to the note the same day.

Spellings will be set on a Friday and **spelling tests will take place on a Thursday.**

Mrs Green will teach the class on a Monday morning or afternoon on alternate weeks.

Please ensure children have a **water bottle** in school.

Our **P.E. days have changed to Monday and Wednesday.** Wednesday P.E. will usually be outside (weather permitting).