

## Year 1 Newsletter - Summer Term 2018

**Hello everyone!** Welcome back to the Summer term in the Year 1 class! We hope you are all ready to go for what promises to be a packed term.

We are rejoined this term by Miss White who will be completing her training with us and is very much looking forward to working with all the children again!

We have begun our topic for this half term of pirates and we are busy writing adventure stories as well as finding out about the famous pirates Captain Blackbeard and Anne Bonny.

### Things to Remember...

- Please ensure all books are kept in book bags daily as we will be using them throughout the week.
- As we enter the summer term please ensure your child has plenty of water to drink! Refills are always available at school.
- Please inform us if your child is absent from school and bring in any letters for appointments.
- There is a wide selection of after school activity clubs happening at POW this term! If you are interested in any of them please book on at the school office
- Forest School sessions will continue to happen on a Wednesday afternoon so outdoor is still needed until the end of the year... British weather - need I say more!?

### Dates

- Class assembly - Friday 28th June - 9.20
- Riverlab trip - Friday 7th June - All day
- Phonics screening week - W/B 10th June
- Mary Poppins Showcase - Friday 14th June - PM
- Inclusive Sports Fortnight - Monday 1st July
- Fleet trip - Tuesday 16th July
- Sports day - Wednesday 10th July - PM

### Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

During the parent info session last week the SRE content for year was shared. This will be delivered to children throughout the term using our Jigsaw scheme of learning.

### Phonics screening check

On w/b 10th June all children will be taking the compulsory phonics screening check in year 1. This will be delivered to the children in a familiar setting with an adult they are very familiar with. It will take no longer than 5-10 mins per child and minimal stress will be placed on the children during this time. You will be informed of your child's results.

### Accelerated Reader

Thank you for all the great progress made with this so far! Please keep going with all the brilliant reading. Each child has their own strip in the classroom that celebrates how much reading they are doing!

## **Spellings & Handwriting**

Spellings will continue to be sent home on a Wednesday for the following week. It really does make such a difference with a couple of practices through the week. Thank you with your support for this so far. We have increased the challenge in this area to reflect the fantastic progress the children have made so far this year.

We have begun teaching the children the cursive style of handwriting that they will increasingly see as time goes on. This has begun by learning the common joins between letters i.e 'ed'. We are also continuing to focus on how we place letters on a line and we will be using the sky/grass/ground visual to help with this.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Chris Gibson  
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