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Head Teacher: Mr Chris Hansen

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find below, a summary of the learning **Year 1** will be covering this term.

Our topic for this term is called '**Castles, Kings and Fairytale things**' The primary focus of our learning is going to be based around English, History and Art . We will be looking at the life of Queen Elizabeth the First and life in Tudor times. If your child does anything at home that supports this topic, or would like to bring in artefacts or books, please send it in as it's always lovely to celebrate children's enthusiasm for learning!

<b>"Castles, Kings and Fairytale Things"</b>	
Maths	Capacity Weight and Mass Length Time Fractions
English	Non chronological reports Letters Writing instructions. Stories with familiar settings Diary entries Book reviews
Science	Seasonal changes –Winter - Spring. Comparing and describing everyday materials
History	The life and times of Queen Elizabeth the First Comparing historical leaders – Caractacus and Winston Churchill.
Computing	Coding and programming Word Processing
ART / DT	Making a model castle
PSHE	Dreams and Goals Healthy Me
RE	Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship? The Easter story
PE	Dance Ball Skills

Year One Additional Information	
PE kit	PE kit should be left in school all week as PE days can change at short notice.
Outdoor learning	Please make sure your child has a waterproof coat when the weather requires it. A text will be sent out if wellies are required.
Homework	
Reading	<p>Please read with your child every night and record this in their Reading Record. We will count one read per day towards their total. This will be invaluable in helping to consolidate their phonic knowledge and to enable them to gain confidence. It also has a positive effect on your child's writing, vocabulary and ability to access all areas of the curriculum.</p> <p>Books will be changed on Monday and Thursday in 1JR and Tuesday and Friday in 1AC.</p> <p>Please make sure that your child has their reading books and reading record with them on the appropriate days.</p>
Spelling	Spellings will be sent home on Friday to be tested the following Friday. Please make sure that your child has their yellow spelling book with them on a Friday so that we can give them their new spellings.
Special Events	
<p>Parents meetings will be held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019.</p> <p>We are in the process of arranging a visit to Sudeley Castle. Letter to follow</p> <p>We will be going to Worcester Swan theatre to see a production of "Zog" on 21<sup>st</sup> March. Please let us know if you have not received a letter about this trip.</p>	

*Yours sincerely,*

*Mrs Cullerne and Mrs Rendall*