

# Year 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break

## Curriculum:

This term our topic is 'Toys' and this will be explored across the curriculum.

In Science we will be looking at 'Materials' and investigating different materials.

## Maths:

- Place value to 10-20 (increasing to 40) including comparing, ordering and patterning and solving word problems.
- Addition and subtraction to 20 including problem solving.
- Length & Mass including comparing things and finding units of measure.
- Picture graphs and extracting data to answer questions.

Please support this work at home by encouraging counting and reading/writing numbers whenever possible and applying the strategies learnt at school.

## Our English focus will be:

- Letters and sounds - new sounds will be learnt through a daily phonics lesson.
- Developing children's writing using correct sentence structure, punctuation and application of phonics and correct spelling.
- Re-reading our work to check that it makes sense.

## Reading

Children will maintain reading through regular independent and guided sessions which can be fully supported with daily reading at home. We really appreciate the reading support that is taking place at home and encourage you to continue this as regularly as possible as it has a significant impact on your child's progress.

## PE

Fahrenheit P.E. lessons will usually be on Tuesdays but will vary.

Celsius P.E. lessons will be on Mondays.

Children will need to bring in a P.E kit (black/navy P.E. shorts and plain white t-shirt) in a clearly labelled bag, which they will need to leave in school until half term. It can then be taken home and washed ready for next term. PLEASE LABEL ALL PE KIT ITEMS CLEARLY.

## Homework

The children will be given the opportunity to change their reading books and should be reading at home with an adult every day. Reading records will be looked at weekly, where we will be able to respond to your comments. Please write the title of the book and a brief comment.

Homework will be sent home in a folder every Friday and needs to be returned by Monday.

## Safeguarding

As part of our school policy, parents are required to leave their children at the school door, therefore please allow your child to come in independently and do not go to your child's class.

If you have any concerns about your child do not hesitate to contact us at the end of the day when we will have more time to talk.

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