



Year 1 Newsletter – Autumn 2

Welcome

Welcome back, we hope everyone has had a lovely break! The run up to Christmas is always such a busy and exciting time in school, here is some of what we'll be up to...

Phonics and Reading

Phonics

Following the Little Wandle Phonics scheme the children will continue to learn and review phase 3,4 and 5 sounds and tricky words. The children will also be continuing to segment, blend and read words.



For age-appropriate books to share at home follow this link to find 50 recommended reads!

[Best Books for Year 1: Recommended Booklist for Ages 5-6](#)

Writing

This term we will continue to work on sentence structure, using adjectives to describe a noun and using conjunctions to join sentences.



Maths

This term our first unit is addition and subtraction within 10. Children will secure their knowledge of number bonds to 10. Then we will work on addition and subtraction sums using resources such as part-whole models and number lines.



Science

The children are learning about everyday materials in science. They will name and investigate a range of everyday materials and carry out tests to group materials according to their properties such as absorbency, waterproof and strength.



Computing

In computing, our unit is an introduction to pictograms, looking at how they can be used to represent data in picture format. Children will collect data from a simple experiment then input this using tools on Purple Mash to create a pictogram.



Art

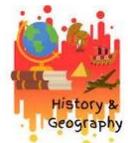
This term in art, our topic is Drawing: Exploring Line and Shape. We will begin by exploring line and mark making to draw water. Children will then experiment with a range of media to create an abstract self-portrait inspired by the work of Paul Klee.



History

This term our history learning is based off the key question 'How am I making history?'

Within this unit children will explore how their lives today compare to childrens lives in the past. We will discuss the ways in which they are similar and the things that have changed over time.



Music

In music this term we will learn plenty of Christmas songs in preparation for our Christmas performance!



PE

Our PE topics this term are yoga and ball skills.

Children should come to school in their school PE kit on these days - black joggers/leggings and black sweatshirt or school jumper.

Earrings to be removed before school and hair to be worn up.



PSHE

Our PSHE topic is 'valuing difference'.



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RE



In RE, our topic of 'People in Christianity' is continuing from last half term.
 In this term, children will work to answer the key question 'Who is St Francis and what did Jesus inspire him to do'.

Enrichment



This term we will learn and perform a Christmas performance so keep your eyes peeled for more information on this!

Homework Project



We will be keeping you up to date on Dojo and continue to send home phonics spellings for the week.
 Phonics reading books will be sent out on a Thursday and should be returned to school on a Monday along with children's spelling homework.



Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as a reward for demonstrating our school values: Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.



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Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

Dates for the diary!



Autumn 2

Monday 3rd November - school reopens for pupils

Thursday 6th November - Book & Biscuit session - 2.40pm

W/B 10th November - Anti-bullying week

Monday 10th November - Odd Socks Day

Tuesday 11th November - Remembrance Day

Friday 14th November - Children in Need Day

Wednesday 3rd December - Wednesday 10th December - Book Fair

Thursday 4th December - Christingle Service KS1 9am/ KS2 2.30pm

Friday 5th December - School Closed - Trust INSET Day

Monday 8th December - Reception Nativity 2pm

Tuesday 9th December - Reception Nativity 2pm

Tuesday 9th December - Nursery Sing-along – 9.30am

Thursday 11th December – Christmas Dinner Day/ Christmas Jumper

Thursday 11th December – Christmas Fayre / Santa's Grotto 3.15pm

Friday 12th December – Nursery Christmas party (am & pm)

Monday 15th December - KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm

Tuesday 16th December - KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm

Wednesday 17th December - KS2 Christmas Concert 2pm

Friday 19th December - school closes for Christmas

