

Class 1

Spring 1 Newsletter 2022

Welcome to our half termly newsletter 😊

Reading books will be changed every Monday.

P.E days remain as Tuesday and Wednesdays

Library books will be changed every Friday.

Please ensure reading books and library books are in your child's folder every day -Thank you.

This half term the children will be learning lots of new things. Please see below the different subjects.

Numeracy

We will be focusing on Number and Place Value, Multiplication and Division and multiples of 2, 5 and 10. The children will also be using our new 'Mental Maths' books for a short period of time each day and using 'Hit the Button' and 'Times Tables Rockstars' to help our learning on the ipads and laptops.

Literacy

We will be reading traditional tales, looking at instructions and lists and bedtime poems. The children will learn the story of The Three Little Pigs by heart and explore alternative versions - **The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig** and **The True Story of the Three Little Pigs**. They will write their own version learning about conjunctions and punctuation. Children will learn how to write statements, commands, exclamations and instructions and then write instructions about how to catch a creature of their choice. We will explore poetry about bedtime and write verses to add to familiar poems and their own poetry.

Phonics

Phonics takes place each morning and the children all review the RWI sounds, practise recognising red, tricky words (common exception words) and all read in a small group.

History

Toys and Books

We will be sorting books and toys by age and type. The children will learn how toys and the materials they are made from have changed over time. We will produce museum labels to accompany toy displays which identify the changes from previous times to present day. We will sketch toys of past and present and explore pictures and paintings of old toys.

**P.E**

On a Tuesday the children will be doing gymnastics and following the 'Families of Actions' core task. This task involves children creating a gymnastic sequence on floor, mats and apparatus by linking a roll, a balance, a jump and a travel.

On a Wednesday the children will be doing Athletics with Mr Leinster.

**R.E**

In R.E this term, we will be exploring what it means to 'belong' in Christianity.

**Music**

We will be following the Durham Music programme called 'Charanga'. The children will be working from the unit called 'I wanna play in a band'. They will be singing, playing, improvising and composing as well as listening and appraising rock songs.

**PSHCE**

Belonging to a group; roles and responsibilities; being the same and different in the community are all the things we will be discussing and exploring in PSHCE.

**Design & Technology**

Textiles

We will be designing, creating an evaluating our own glove puppets.

**Computing**

Programming Toys

In this unit about programming toys, children will be introduced to the principles of programming through unplugged tasks and the use of Blue-Bots. They will be introduced to algorithms as a set of step-by-step instructions given to a device, will learn how to debug simple algorithms and how to use logical reasoning to predict how a program will behave.

Many Thanks,

Miss Lee and Mrs Murtagh 😊