



Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn 1 2019

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The warmest of welcomes to Year 1. We have lots to look forward to this half term and I am excited to have the opportunity to support and guide your children as they progress through Year 1.

This term ...

History

We will be learning about the Gunpowder Plot. We will be finding out about why the Gunpowder Plot occurred, who was involved, how it was stopped, and why we still celebrate Bonfire Night.

Further information regarding what is covered in our lessons can be found on the Knowledge Organiser attached.

English

We will be reading 'The Snail and the Whale' – a story about a snail who wants to explore the world with a whale and then goes on to save the day!

Our focus author for the term is Julia Donaldson.

Maths

We will be focusing on place value and addition and subtraction within 10.

Science

We will be investigating seasonal changes. Why the weather changes and what weather is typically associated with each season.

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Computing

We will be looking at how to stay safe on line and to be a good digital citizen. We will also be exploring algorithms, what they are and how we can create our own.

Art

We will be looking at the work of Kandinsky and exploring colour through the use of paint.

How you can help:

Reading

Reading books will be sent home regularly and this is a key focus for all children.

Every child that reads and returns their book will receive 3 dojo points and be able to move their 'reading rocket' across the chart. For every 20 books read, children will receive a prize!

HOMEWORK

Homework will consist of spellings, English and Maths – linked to the work we are doing in school. This will be sent home on Tuesday and needs to be back in school by the following Monday. Children are expected to present their homework neatly.

Sumdog and TT Rockstars

Please encourage your child to log onto TT Rockstars and Sumdog websites regularly. Here you will find game based learning for both Maths and English. If you cannot find your child's log on details, please let the school know.

Snack

Children have regular access to a water fountain within the classroom, in addition to receiving a piece of fruit daily.

Uniform

To reduce the likelihood of your child losing their clothing. Please make sure that every piece of your child's school uniform is clearly labelled.

Useful websites:

<https://twitter.com/BradleyGreenPA>

<http://www.bradleygreen.org.uk/>

PE – PE will take place on Wednesday mornings and Monday afternoons. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school. Please remember no earrings on PE days.