

Year 1 – Term 4 Information and Key Learning

We hope that the children have enjoyed the week and are ready for the term ahead. The information below shows some of the areas of learning that we will be covering this term and how you can help support your child at home.

Our learning this term

This term we will be learning all about **The Joys of Toys**. This will encompass our English, Design Technology and History work. We will be sharing the story 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes and using this as a stimulus for developing our writing skills. We will be focussing on the main character Dave and his experience of losing his favourite toy which will lead to writing our own persuasive letters. In DT we will be exploring marble runs, then designing and creating our very own. Our exploration of a wide variety of modern and old toys will lead into discussion about how toys have changed over time; the children will sort toys according to different criteria, including their age, and begin to learn about time lines and chronology. In Maths we will be continuing our work on addition and subtraction. We will be revisiting our number bonds for numbers up to 10 and learning how these can help us to work out other number facts. We will continue to use these to solve a range of problems, as well as develop our reasoning skills. In Science, we will be continuing our learning about offspring and the different stages of human development alongside exploring life cycles of various animals. In RE we will be exploring the question 'Why does Easter matter to Christians'? Through cricket and tag rugby we will be developing a range of throwing and catching skills, experiencing paired and group work, practising running and dodging.

PE

Our PE lessons this term for both classes will be cricket (on Monday) and tag rugby (on Friday).

Reading

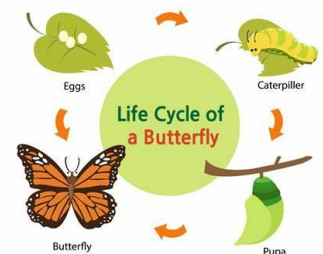
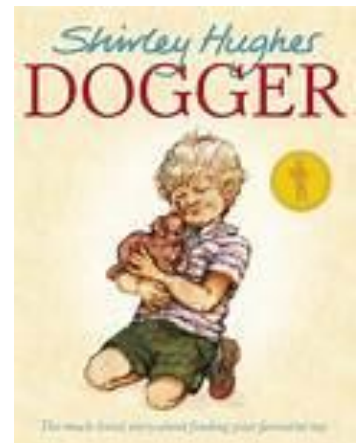
The children appear to have enjoyed the challenge of the **reading stars** and we hope that this continues to motivate your child to read. We count these every week and they are added to the class barometers so please continue to colour in a star on the back of the reading record each time your child reads. Thank you for your support with **Buster's Book Club**. The children have been delighted when they have won the Key Stage and individual awards. The slips will be in the bags every Wednesday and must be returned on Thursday morning.

Sharing our learning

We would like to invite parents of Year One children into school to share our learning. We would like the children to dress as animals for the presentation.

1LA will be sharing at 9am on Tuesday 28th March

1CJ will be sharing at 9am Tuesday 30th March



Forest School

1CJ Tuesdays

21st February

7th March

21st March

1LA Wednesdays

22nd February

8th March

22nd March



English Key Learning Facts

Key aim: To read and spell tricky words.

We will continue to revisit the tricky words sent home in the previous term's newsletters as well as teaching these Phase 5 words. Once your child is confident spelling the words, encourage them to write the word in a sentence. Remind them to think about their punctuation (capital letters, full stops and finger spaces).

said	Mr	called
<u>oh</u>	Mrs	asked
people	looked	could

Suggested Activities.

- Make two sets of the words on pieces of card and play matching pairs.
- Write the words on pieces of paper and use them to build sentences.
- Build them with magnetic letters or by drawing around letter stencils.
- Practise writing them using different coloured felt tips, with water on a paintbrush a dry wall or ground outside.

Mathematics Key Learning Facts

Key aim: Doubles

The children need to be able to halve and double numbers (up to double 10).

- Double 7 is ___
- What is double 9?
- 16 is double ___
- What did I double to make 18?

Once your child is confident with their mental recall of halving and doubling, try giving your child simple word problems.

- If Tom had 12 coins and gave half away, how many would he now have?
- Jane had 7 apples, Sam gave her 7 more. How many apples does Jane now have?

Children can practise these (and other number facts) on the **White Rose 1 minute Maths App** which is free to download.

