Meet the Year Group Team		
Head of Year	Class Teachers	PTP Support
Miss C Wyers	Mrs C Wyers	Miss F Gordon
-	Miss M Austin	Miss L Bridger

Term & Date: Autumn 1

THEME: Happily, Ever After

	This half term, assessments will take place during continuous provision to ensure a smooth transition into year 1.
English	The children will practise letter formation, use their phonological knowledge to write words in ways to match their spoken sounds, as well as becoming increasingly confident with listening to others and expressing their own ideas and experiences. They will then progress onto forming capital letters, say out loud what they would like to write and begin to show an awareness of simple punctuation such as a full stop and question mark.
	Spelling Phonics will continue to be a strong focus this year. The children will recap phase 2, as well as revisit phase 3 Letters & Sounds to ensure they are secure in these areas. This will later allow them to read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words (CVC, CVCC, CCVC).
	Just like in English, assessments will take place during continuous provision to ensure a smooth transition into year 1.
	Outlined below are areas that the children will explore during this half term:
	Place Value/Number Children will learn to count to at least 50 forwards, beginning with 1 and backwards from 10, count in 10s to 50 and 2s to 20 using a number line. They will also identify and represent numbers using objects and pictures. They will solve problems involving number bonds to 5.
Maths	Addition and Subtraction/Measure The children will learn the value of different coins, solve problems in a practical context and compare and describe lengths and heights using key vocabulary such as longer/shorter. The children will read, write and interpret mathematical statements involving addition (+), subtraction (-) and equals (=) signs.
	Multiplication and Division/Geometry During this half term the children will share objects equally by counting how many in each group, as well as becoming familiar with a half. They will name common 2D shapes including squares and circles.
Science	Materials The children will explore many different materials and know that they have different properties.

	They will understand materials are used for particular jobs. Some properties will be investigated. This will be linked to out 'Happily Ever After' theme – for example, which materials are best to build a castle?	
Computing	Children will explore animation by retelling a story. They may record voice clips and add different effects. They will also add labels to photos to explain parts of castles/knights/etc.	
Art & DT	The children may choose to make a sculpture of recycled materials for building a castle. They will design a flag and pully mechanism for their castles.	
Geography & History	The question 'why are we called Castle Hill?' will be considered. The children will learn about different castles and their features. They will also look at maps of the school and the local area.	
RE	The children will look at the theme of 'special places' and look at churches in the local area.	
Music	Children will be able to name some percussion instruments. Listening to 'The Old Castle', they will create castle sound effects.	
PE	 The children will focus on personal skills in PE this half term. This will include: following instructions and practising safely working on simple tasks by themselves asking for help when appropriate 	
Year 1 PE days are:	Tuesday morning, Thursday afternoon.	