

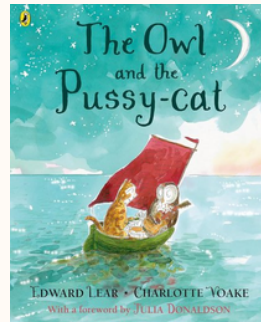
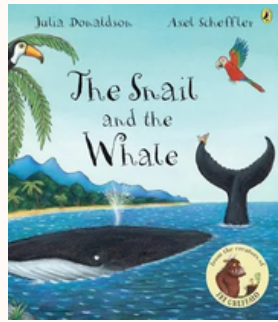
YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER

Welcome back in Year 1. We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable half term break. We are looking forward to another busy and exciting summer term and we would like to share some information about what we will be covering in school.

ENGLISH

In English our key text is 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson. This is linked to our Geography theme - Our Wonderful World. Children will be writing their own stories about a journey around the world.

In reading sessions - children will be listening to, discussing and reciting poetry - the key poem we will focus on is 'The Owl and the Pussy Cat' by Edward Lear.



PHONICS

We are currently preparing for the Phonics Screening Check which will take place in the first week back after half term.

Children will work with Miss Zhu to read some words by using their phonics knowledge. There are 40 words in total - some are real and some are nonsense words. You will be informed about how your child gets on with this test at the end of the year.

Homework this half term will be focused on practising skills and knowledge ahead of the Phonics Check, to ensure your child is confident in their phonic knowledge and blending skills.

You can support with phonics at home by visiting the websites:

www.phonicsplay.co.uk.

www.phonicsbloom.com

www.monsterphonics.com

MATHS

In Maths, we will begin the half term by consolidating addition and subtraction facts within 10, including number bonds to 10 doubling and halving. We will then be moving onto counting in multiples of 10 to 100 and adding and subtracting multiples of 10.

Later in the half term we will be developing our counting skills within 100 and exploring the composition of numbers 10-100.

We will be focusing on place value and what the numerals represent and developing partitioning skills.



SCIENCE

In Science we are continuing to explore the natural world, with a focus on plants. Children will be identifying a variety of plants, naming their parts, and discovering what plants need to grow and live healthily.



GEOGRAPHY

In Geography our key question is - What makes our world wonderful?

In this topic children will learn about the world. They will start by recapping that the world is round and is made up of land, sea, and air.

Children will then learn about the 7 continents and the 5 oceans.

They will find out some key facts about each continent, including key human and physical features, and find hot and cold places on the map by finding the equator.

Children will use the compass directions - N, E, S, W to describe the location of places and to map a journey around the world.

Please continue to support your child with their reading - progress in Year One has been fabulous! The children are all doing so well to develop solid phonological knowledge, fluency and comprehension skills. Your comments in your child's reading record continue to be gratefully appreciated!

Thank you for your continued support at home!

Miss Zhu & Miss Akhtar