

Year 1 Newsletter

Welcome back to the start of a new school year in Year 1!

We are really looking forward to starting some exciting new topics and helping the children to settle into new routines.



Maths

This term we will be focusing on sorting and counting, comparing and ordering, finding one more and one less, number bonds to 10 and addition and subtraction.

We will be giving the children lots of practical experiences in their maths lessons to deepen their understanding. You can support with this at home by giving them lots of opportunities to count, add and subtract in real life contexts.

English

We will be reading traditional tales to inspire our learning this term. We are focusing on the traditional tale of 'The Three Little Pigs'. We will continue to build on Reception learning and supporting children to write simple sentences independently.

In Year 1, children are encouraged to use their phonic knowledge to spell (sound it out). It is really important that your child learns to hold a pencil correctly so please support this at home.

Children will describe different fairy tale characters and re-write the tale of 'The Three Little Pigs'.

In Year 1 children will not have set reading days, so please ensure reading books are in folders and in school every day.

When reading with your child at home, it is helpful if you make a note of this on their reading record (kept inside their folders). If your child needs to change their book please make this clear on the comments sheet – but only change it once they have had time to explore, enjoy and fully understand the text.

The children will also continue to take part in daily phonics sessions. To improve their reading and spelling. You can support with this at home by visiting the websites below and playing free online games

www.phonicsplay.co.uk

www.monsterphonics.com/games



Science

Throughout this term, we will be learning to identify and describe different materials. We will be investigating the properties of materials when thinking about designing a house for the three little pigs.

Everyday Materials



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Geography

In Geography, we will be exploring our local area of Godley and Hyde. We will learn about different houses and buildings in Godley through fieldwork and looking at maps. We will also find out where Godley is located within the world.

P.E.

P.E will take place on Mondays and Fridays.

Please remember to bring your child's P.E. kit to school on these days. A P.E. kit includes a white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers. As the weather gets colder children can also bring jogging bottoms and a warmer top in black or white. Please ensure that all your child's P.E clothes are clearly labelled with their full name. Children are not allowed to wear hoop earrings and studs must be covered. No other jewellery is allowed and children must have their hair tied back.

Communication

All communication between home and school will take place via class dojo or parent pay. If you are having difficulty accessing class dojo or parent pay, please let Miss Maxted know.

Homework and Spellings

Homework and spellings will be given out every Friday through Class Dojo. These must be completed by the following Friday.

Each child will get a homework book to keep at home. This is for your child to complete any work set that can't be completed directly onto Dojo – a picture can then be taken and uploaded to Dojo.

There will be a spelling test every Friday. Children will do these on a piece of paper which will be sent home so that you can see which ones your children still need support with.

If you would like any further information about this half term in Year 1, please get in touch via Class Dojo. Thank you for your support.

Miss Maxted, Mrs Morley and Mrs Winterbottom