

Year 1 Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

English Reading

This half term in reading, we are going to be reading a text called Meerkat Mail linked to our learning about hot places. We will also be reading The Easter Story which is linked with our R.E. In our reading lessons we will be focusing on inferring information from a text.

Writing

In writing, we will be using the story Meerkat Mail as a stimulus for writing our own diary recount of Sunny's travels. We will also be writing a recount of the Easter story.



Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



Science

Our science topic this term is 'Plants.' We will be learning all about how plants grow and the structure of a variety of plants, including trees.



Reading

Class Novels

This half term we will be reading lots of different books about plants and spring.

Reading Books and GOREad!

All children will take one or two books home that support the phonics learning taking place in class. Some children will also receive a share together book; these books contain words that cannot be decoded using phonics knowledge but they are great to support vocabulary development. Please share these books with your child.

All books should come into school and back home each day to maximise reading opportunities. Children have a vocabulary book which is kept in school and tricky words are added to and recapped to ensure understanding of words.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GOREad in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on go read.



Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Miss Collier or Mrs Matthews please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

year1@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is

office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

EandI@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

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Geography

In Geography, we will be learning all about hot and cold places around the world. We will learn where these places are and locate them on a world map. We will look at the equator and where these hot and cold places are in relation to the equator.

P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School is on a Tuesday for Year 1. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Tuesday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag if the weather is bad.

PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't Hold on to What's Wrong'. The children will learn all about letting go of any bad feelings. They will learn how to keep positive and stay happy. Children will discuss any not so good feelings they may have and what to do if they are struggling with these feelings.



Religious Education

In R.E. we will be learning about Easter and celebrating new life and new beginnings. We will look at life cycles of animals, learn about signs of Spring and then we will learn the Easter story in some detail. We will explore how Jesus died and then rose again and learn the importance of this story for Christians.



Maths

In maths this term we are looking at length and height, weight and mass, capacity and measures. We will also be continuing with our arithmetic lessons. The children will continue to learn to add and subtract numbers together and even do this at speed from memory most of the time. The children will continue to practise their number bonds to 10 and 20. They will also continue to practise counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.

