

# Rushey Green Primary School

Year 1 Newsletter - Summer 1 2021

Dear parents, carers and children. We hope you have all had an enjoyable and restful break and are ready for the first Summer Term. This term, we look forward to see the children learn and develop further here at Rushey Green through an exciting and engaging curriculum. We have a packed timetable full of amazing learning opportunities in all our fantastic subjects, which we hope the children will enjoy.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to discuss these with a member of staff.

The Year 1 Teams are: 1R: Mrs Walters and Mrs Couchman  
1T: Ms Nessa and Mrs Mehmood  
1P: Ms Heard and Miss Bukeisha

## This term

**English:** In English this half term, we have been reading 'How to Find Gold'. From this book, we have written a set of instructions for how to find gold in different settings that the children have chosen. Also, we will look at writing conversations and how to use speech marks. Further into the half term, we will look at 'The Snail and the Whale', where we will look at writing diary entries as the characters travel the world.

**Maths:** In maths children will be using their maths skills to learn about multiplication and division. We will use a range of maths resources such as counters, dienes, numicons and unifix to help instill understanding between numbers and the number system. Children will learn about doubling numbers, using arrays, making, adding and sharing equal groups.

**Foundation subjects:** In science this half term we are exploring the seasonal changes. We are learning about the four seasons and the weather. We are also collecting data from the rainfall gauge every week to see which week this half term will give us the most rain. In RE we are continuing to learn about Islam, focusing on The Five Pillars of Islam. This week we are designing prayer mats. Our history lessons this half term is all about significant individuals from the past. Some of the people we are learning about are: Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole, Elizabeth I, Queen Victoria, Christopher Columbus, Rosa Parks, Neil Armstrong and more....

## Dates to remember!

Half-term Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021- Children return to school

**Please remember that PE days are on  
Wednesdays.**

Please ensure your child has their PE kit and that all items of their clothing is labelled with their name.

**Handwriting**

If you have any concerns about your children's handwriting or number formation in maths please ask any member in the year one team for handwriting sheets.

**Homework**

Children are handed spellings every week on Monday. Please ensure you practice spellings with your children every day.

To consolidate children's learning over the half term in school, topic homework is given at the end of every term where children are expected to complete practical, fun and engaging activities set by their teacher.

**Hot weather**

As the weather is getting hotter, please ensure your child has sun cream applied to their skin before school and remember to bring in a sun hat or cap.

**Reading Books**

Please remember to bring in your child's reading book/books every **Wednesday.**

**Please make sure you are writing comments in the reading record so that we are able to change the books accordingly.**

**Please read with your child daily.**

**Healthy packed lunch**

If your child has a packed lunch everyday please make sure it includes foods from each of these groups

Drink - a bottle of water.

Fillers - bread, pasta, rice.

Fruit, vegetables and/or salad.

Protein - meat as part of a sandwich, rice or pasta dish.

Cheese/egg/fish/hummus/tofu/Quorn

**Please do not include:**

Nuts chocolate biscuits, sweets, sausage rolls, hot dogs etc. Only crisps on a Friday as a treat please!

We have a new lunch menu in school!

Please encourage children to try our new lunch menu created by our new chefs!