

Class 1 Autumn Term NEWSLETTER



MRS DOBSON

WELCOME BACK

Hello and Welcome back! I would like to welcome you all to the start of this new term. It's fantastic to be back and I am so happy to still be teaching the children in Year 1 and 2. I will be in class Monday to Thursday and Mrs Sherrard will be teaching the class on a Friday.

If you have any questions please get in touch through the office.



IMPORTANT MESSAGES

Water bottles
Please bring to school every day. They will be sent home each night to be washed.

Book bags
Please bring to school every day. Some children like to attach a keyring to the handle so it is easily identifiable to them. Please only attach 1 keyring and keep it as small as possible.

Jumpers
Make sure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name. Jumpers, cardigans and PE hoodies are often removed and it is always a struggle to find their owners without a name in them. I would really appreciate your support with this.

PE
Our PE sessions in Class One will be held on a Monday and Wednesday this term. The children should come to school on their PE days already dressed in their PE kit (plain black tracksuit bottoms or leggings, plain white t-shirt and trainers). They will stay in their kit all day and do not need to change afterwards. This term our PE sessions will be based around games, multiskills, dance and gymnastics. PE days may change from term to term.

ENGLISH

This term in English, we will be studying The Tiger Who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr and Paper Dolls by Julia Donaldson. Using these texts as inspiration, the children will explore a range of writing genres, including setting descriptions, poetry, non-chronological reports, narrative writing, and instructional texts.

MATHS

In Maths this term, we will be strengthening our understanding of place value and developing our skills in addition and subtraction. Forming numbers correctly can sometimes be challenging, so we would appreciate your support in practising number formation at home.

SCIENCE

In our Science lessons, we will be working scientifically in our topics of Animals including humans and seasonal changes. This half term we will be looking at the human body, our senses, what we need to survive and animals and their offspring.

GEOGRAPHY

In Geography we will be looking at where we live. The children will develop their location and place knowledge, develop their geographical skills including using simple maps and they will learn to identify physical and human features in their local area.

HISTORY

In history this term we will be exploring toys in the past. We will be developing our historical skills through comparison, looking at the toys we have at home and comparing them to the toys from the past.

ART

In out art sessions we will be developing our drawing skills by using a range of materials and techniques. Our focus will be upon improving our pencil control, grip, fine motor skills, and our ability to apply a range of expressive marks.

MUSIC

In music we will be singing new songs, learning to keep a steady beat and move our bodies to a rhythm. We will also be having sessions with Jamie Blackwood throughout the autumn term, exploring percussion instruments including steel drums.

COMPUTING

In computing this term we will be learning how to stay safe when we are online. We will be developing our mouse and keyboard skills as well as doing a little digital art.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will be teaching the children a new RE curriculum, where they will read andunderstand more about Bible Scripture and how this links to the teachings of God. This term we will be covering the topics of Creation and Covenant and Prophecy and Promise.

READING AT HOME

Every child has been given a new reading book and folder. Please continue to use the reading record from last year until it is full. We encourage parents to read with their child as much as possible and record when you have read with them in their reading record.

Reading with your child frequently at home can have a huge impact on their reading ability and development. It can help them with blending, and fluency as well as improve their confidence.

Books are usually changed on a weekly basis and staff will listen to your child read throughout the week, so please make sure their book and reading record are always kept in their book bag and brought to school every day. Thank You for your support!

IMPORTANT DATES

Reading Workshop for Class 1 parents - Tues 6th October 3pm or 5.30pm

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon - Friday 9th October 2pm

Parents Evening - Wednesday 21st October

Half Term - Break up Thursday 22nd October

Staff Training Day Friday 23rd October

Fancy Dress Disco - Thursday 5th Novermber - During the school day

KS1 & EYFS Nativity - Thursday 10th December 2pm

Santa Run - Tuesday 15th December

KS1 Christmas Party Wednesday 16th September