

# Welcome Back!



We hope that you all had a wonderful break over the Christmas holiday and spent some quality time together with your families. It is lovely to see the children back in school and ready to learn. Again, we would like to thank you for your continued support throughout the school year.

## Curriculum

We will continue to follow the curriculum set for both Y1 and Reception as we progress through the Spring term and the rest of the year.

The topics for the Spring term are listed below.

Science: **Materials**

History: **Mary Anning**

D.T: **Food: Winter soup**

P.E: **Ball Skills and Gymnastics**

Computing: **E-Safety and Programming**

R.E: **Special people, Meals, and Change.**

## Thank You!

Thank you to those of you who attended our Christmas craft morning in the Autumn term. It was lovely to see so many of you in school. Thank you for supporting our class with donations, we greatly appreciate it.

## P.E

Our PE sessions in Class One will continue to be held on a **Wednesday** and **Friday** this term. The children should come to school on their PE day dressed in their PE kit. The school uniform PE kit consists of black/navy track-suit bottoms or leggings, a white t-shirt and trainers. The t-shirt must be white but does not need to have a school logo. The children are welcome to keep plimsoles in school on their pegs to change into.



## Winter

Thank you for sending children into school with alternative footwear for snowy/rainy days. If you would like to bring wellies into school that stay on the children's peg then you are more than welcome.

## Reminder

Please can we remind parents to label all items of school clothing, including shoes. This helps us to find clothes easily.



## Home Learning and Reading

Each week, the pupils in Year 1 will continue receive home learning on a Friday. Thank you for your continued support so far and encouraging your children to complete this work.

Pupils will all continue to receive a home reading book. We encourage parents to read with their child as much as possible and record when you have read with them in their reading record. This book will be changed regularly and the staff will listen to your child at some point throughout the week, so please make sure their book and reading record are always kept in their book bag.

It is also enormously important to read stories to your child at home. Not only is it enjoyable for you and your child to spend time together reading, it has huge impact on their development and learning.

### Cool Milk

Milk can be provided for the children in school through the Cool Milk scheme. The school does not run the scheme so if you would like your child to receive milk, you need to contact Cool Milk directly by visiting the website [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) and completing the registration form. Most of the children are keen to have milk but unfortunately we can only give them it if they have been registered for the scheme. **Milk is free until the week your child turns 5. After this, the milk has to be paid for by parents if they want to carry on having it.** If you have registered, they will send you an email to prompt you to start paying so that the milk doesn't suddenly stop.

### Key Dates

- Break up for half term - 20th February
- Return to school - 2nd March
- World Book Day—5th March
- Holy Week— 29th March—8th April
- Break up for Easter - 2nd April
- Pupils return— 20th April



The RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch will be taking place between **Friday 23** and **Sunday 25 January**. RSPB are encouraging us to count the birds you see in your local area. We will be encouraging the children to take part around this time and we will be actively participating in school!

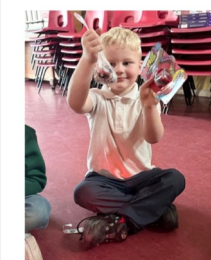


## Reminders:

It is important that children bring their book bags into school every day as they will be bringing home important letters, reading books and pictures they've made in school.

In Class One, the children use recyclable items to create and build models every day in our workshop area. Any donations from home would be greatly appreciated.

## A snapshot of the Autumn term



## Contact us:

Remember... if you have any questions, concerns or require some information then you can always contact us and we will either speak to you direct at the time or make an appointment to see you. Our door is always open. We can't wait for the year ahead!

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