



This week in Year 1

Tuesday 13th April 2026

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break.



English:

We are going to begin our new topic this week and will be looking at the story 'Handa's Surprise.' We will be ordering the main events in the story, using drama to retell the story and focusing on nouns and adjectives in the story. We will write our own sentences using nouns from the story.

Phonics:

We will be using monster phonics during our phonic lessons.

This week we are looking at the sounds:

We are going to be revising o-e, u-e, ar

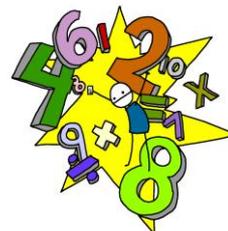
The words we are focusing on: car, start, park, arm, garden

Phonics
ee ur ow
wh y au

Maths:

This week we will be thinking about related facts and how addition and subtraction are related to each other. We will be thinking about fact families for addition and subtraction up to 20.

We will then explore missing number problems We will use the idea of inverse operations.



Homework:

Monster phonic books get changed each Monday. Please make sure monster phonic books are kept in school bags so we can change them. Your child will also get to choose a free choice book that they can read for enjoyment. This book is a good book to be sharing at bedtime or at the weekend. They can also change this book on a **Monday**.

Your child will be tested on their spellings each Friday. Please support them with learning their spellings.

Your child now has their login for Numbots and PurpleMash. Please get them to access Numbots a few times a week. PurpleMash has some super number games to play. It is also great for Year 1 to build their confidence with logging into PurpleMash and saving their work etc.



Action Points:

★We will be swimming Wednesday mornings this half term. Please remember your child needs a swimming bag with a towel, goggles and swimming hat in. We ask that they wear their swimming costume/trunks underneath their school clothes to make changing a little easier.

★Please make sure your child's reading books and diary is in their bag each day. Monster phonic books are changed every Monday and class library books can also be changed on a Monday. Your child is unable to choose a new book until they have brought theirs in.

★ We sent pencil cases home over the Easter holidays. Please make sure your child has come back to school with writing pencils, colouring pencils, a whiteboard pen, a gluestick and scissors. We allow the children to use felt tips on a Friday during golden time but they need colouring pencils for their learning tasks.

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