

YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2 2024

Welcome back to an exciting new term in Year One!
Read on to see what we will be learning about!
Please note that this overview may be subject to change if unforeseen circumstances arise.

ENGLISH	In English, we will start off the half-term with the fantasy story 'The Night Pirates.' The children will base their written work around the book. We then move onto non fiction writing and write non chronological reports about sea creatures. We then look at the book 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson. We move onto poetry in the last week and also look at the rhyming book 'Commotion in the Ocean.'
MATHS	In Maths, we will start the half-term focussing on place value, specifically numbers up to 100. We will then focus on the strategies we use to add and subtract as well as multiply and divide. Then we will move on to telling the time. Finally we will look at money. The children will have a new maths target this half term - identifying odd and even numbers. Please continue to practise this at home ready for the target test in school every Monday.
SCIENCE	In Science, we look at animals and study some of their habitats. The children will identify and name a variety of common animals including birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles, mammals and invertebrates. We will link this to our visit to the farm in week 5.
ART	In Art, we look at the unit 'Hair'. We look at the work of the artists Chris Ofili and Jessica Spence. Their work looks at afro style hair and the children will create art inspired by their work. They will have a go at braiding and learn the skill of batik. They will finish the unit by creating a piece combining all the skills and techniques they have learnt.
GEOGRAPHY	The children will focus on the geographical vocabulary that we use to describe human and physical features, such as beach, coast, cliff, sea, ocean, village, house, harbour, shop, city, town.
PSHE	In PSHE, we look at the unit 'Joining in, joining up.' The children will consider making right and wrong choices. They will then move onto thinking about what living things need and how we can look after animals.
RE	In RE, we explore the following question: Do we need to share special places? We will discuss places that are special to us. We then move onto thinking about shared special places specifically looking at how a synagogue is special in the Jewish religion.

PLEASE REMEMBER...

PE: We will be doing inside and outside PE (weather permitting of course) again this half term, so please ensure that your child wears the correct PE kit to school on PE days - Monday and Thursday. Thank you. The children will also be continuing with their weekly outdoor learning session every Friday. Please ensure your child brings in the correct clothing on this day, so they can join in fully with the sessions.

HOMEWORK: The children will continue to be issued with homework on a Friday. The homework should be returned by the following Wednesday either by sending it into school or posting onto Google Classroom. Please also remember that completing at least 5 minutes on Numbots is also a weekly homework requirement. Please let us know if you are having any problems logging on. We appreciate your cooperation with this. Spellings and maths target tests will also carry on as normal every Monday. The children will be receiving a new maths target this half term - odd and even numbers.

DIARY DATES -

- Tuesday 4th June - Return to school
- Week beginning 10th June - PHONICS SCREENING CHECK WEEK FOR ALL YEAR ONE CHILDREN
- Friday 28th June - Sports Day
- Wednesday 3rd July - Trip to Rookery Farm.
- Tuesday 9th July - Reports go out to parents.
- Friday 19th July - Break up for the summer holidays - 1pm

Thank you for your continued support.
The Year 1 Team