

Year 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of Spring Term in Year 1! We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable half term break. We are looking forward to another busy and exciting half term and we would like to share some information about what we will be covering in school.

English

Our whole school theme will continue to be 'Let's Go Wild'. This term our class text will be 'Katie in London' by James Mayhew. We will be finding out about different London landmarks and writing our own imaginary, magical tour around London.

This half term the children will continue to not have set reading days. Their book will always be changed at least once a week but it will not always be on a set day so please ensure it is in their book bag every day! When reading with your child at home, it is helpful if you make a note of this in their planners. If your child had finished their reading book at home, please make a note of this in their planners and we will do our best to change it the next day.

The children will also continue to take part in daily phonics sessions to improve their reading and spelling. This is becoming increasingly important in Year 1 as children are completing independent tasks and getting ready for the Phonics Screening Check in June.

To find out more on how to support your child with their reading and spelling at home, please attend our 'READ, KNOW, LEARN & GO' workshop on Tuesday 5th March at 6pm.



Maths

We will continue to learn a range of skills in our Maths lessons. These include position and direction, measuring length and height, measuring weight, measuring capacity and solving money problems.

Please encourage your child to practise making 10 and 20 in different ways at home, and to practise counting forwards and backwards to 100. There are many games to support this learning on the below website.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk>



Theme

We will use our class text, 'Katie in London', to learn all about London.

In History, we will be learning about London landmarks, British monarchs, family trees, and the Royal family.

In Science, we will be designing our own palace garden. To complete this project we will develop our knowledge of common plants and trees and even growing our own sunflower.

In Art, we will be designing our own palace wallpaper inspired by the artist William Morris.



Homework

Skills homework will continue to be given out on Fridays. Children must also complete and practise their spellings each week. Skills homework needs to be returned to school by the following Wednesday. This term's projects are to be handed in on Monday 1st April.

P.E.

P.E will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please remember to bring your child's P.E. kit to school on these days. A P.E. kit includes a white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers. Please ensure that all your child's P.E clothes are clearly labelled with their full name. Children are not allowed to wear earrings or any other jewellery and must have their hair tied back.

Please ensure all of your child's clothes are clearly named. We have a collection of jumpers and cardigans with no names on.

If you would like any further information, please make an appointment to call in before or after school or use the planners as a means of communication.

Thank you for all of your on-going support!
Miss Hughes and Miss Renshaw.