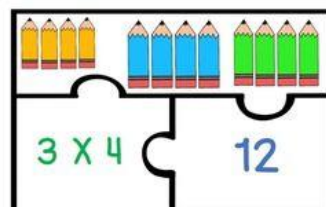
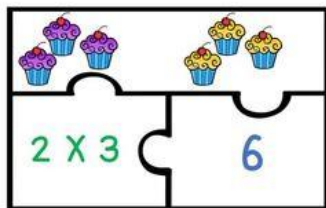


# Year 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school for Summer term! We hope you had a lovely break and made the most of the sunshine! We have lots of exciting learning planned for this half term and we would like to share what we will be getting up to.



## Maths

We will continue to learn a range of skills in our Maths lessons. These include simple multiplication and division (identifying and counting equal groups) and fractions (finding halves and quarters of shapes and quantities).

As we move towards the end of Year 1, we will be encouraging the children to become more independent in their Maths work, particularly their problem solving skills. Please continue to support the children with their Maths homework at home!

## English

This term, our English work will be inspired by the book series "One Day On Our Blue Planet" by Ella Bailey. We will be doing lots of different types of writing based on this story including descriptions, fact files, poetry and a nature narration!

It is fantastic to see how much reading the children have been doing at home and we are grateful for your support!

We will continue to have daily phonics sessions where the children will learn new sounds within real and fake words. Please keep giving your child plenty of opportunities to practise ready for the phonics screening check next half term!

You can support with this at home by visiting the website [www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk).

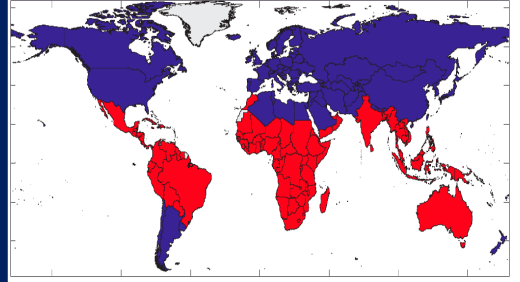
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### Themes

Our new whole school topic is 'On A Mission'. Our mission in Year 1 is to become Zoologists. Our new class text will drive our Science learning on animals from Africa. We will be learning how to group animals according to their features and diets. This will lead into learning on the human body.

Our class books will also inspire our Geography learning on locating continents, the equator and hot and cold climates. We are really looking forward to developing our knowledge of Zoology!



### Homework

Homework will continue to be given out each Friday with an English and Maths skills task, weekly spellings and creative tasks. Homework is to be handed in the following Wednesday. Children will be tested on their spellings each week so please ensure they practise at home.

Children must complete at least two of the creative task options by Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May. Our class gallery in which we show these projects will take place that week.

### Key dates and Information

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. Children are not allowed to wear earrings or any other jewellery and must have their hair tied back.

We have several unnamed jumpers and cardigans from last term. If you are missing any of these items, please feel free to come and check our collection.

### Key Dates

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Inset Day (no school for children)

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Year One's Golden Assembly

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – School closed

(for more key dates please see Friday news)

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

Thank you for your continued support,  
Miss Hughes & Miss Renshaw