

## Year 1 Termly Newsletter - Autumn Term 2024

We were delighted to welcome the Year 1 children back to school on the 4<sup>th</sup> September. Pupils have settled into their new classes and school routines really well.

Already, your children have started working on understanding numbers to 10, learning about plants and learning new sounds in phonics.

We will be sending a newsletter home each term, just to share with parents details of the learning that will happen and to tell you any key dates that we think you may need to know.

We will also give some ideas and suggestions of ways that you can support learning at home.

Year 1 Autumn Term Curriculum		How you can support learning at home
<b>Reading</b>	Rhymes, poems and phonics stories	Read Writ Inc reading books for 5-10 mins each day. Children can change their library book once a week, on a Wednesday and will change their phonics book each time they learn a new story.
<b>Writing</b>	Read, Write Inc set 1, 2 and 3 sounds and practising Kinetic Letters.	Complete weekly handwriting practise with children. Practice forming letters using the kinetic letters support sheet in the back of your homework books.
<b>Maths</b>	Place Value up to 10, addition and subtraction and shape	Complete weekly Maths homework. Practice writing numbers to 10 and counting forwards and backwards.
<b>History</b>	Differences between me and my grandparents, changes in living memory and toys from the past	Discuss how we grow and change. Discuss how we are different to our grandparents.
<b>Science</b>	Plants and changing of the seasons	Discuss with your child about appropriate clothing for different seasons and the weather. Take an interest in plants around you.
<b>Art</b>	Drawing – make your mark.	Practice colouring in the lines neatly.
<b>R.E</b>	Christianity	Discuss different religions at home. Including the importance of Christmas to Christians.
<b>D&amp;T</b>	Constructing windmills	Discuss with your child the weather conditions e.g the windy weather.
<b>Music</b>	Learning to play keyboards and percussion instruments with 3 notes.	Listen to different pieces of music and encourage children to share what they enjoy.

### Online Learning – these sites are used at school or could be used at home to practise skills learnt this term

Phonics play – free resources available on the website

BBC iPlayer – Watch episodes of Alphablocks and Numberblocks and Julia Donaldson stories

Numbots - username and password will be in homework wallets when available.

Oxford Owl – Logins will be in homework wallets. Read and complete Phonics quizzes.

## Important Dates for your Diary:

### Weds 25<sup>th</sup> September

Flu Vaccinations

### Weds 9<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> October

School photographer in school taking individual and sibling photos. Parents can have sibling photos taken with preschool children from 8:15 am

### Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Head teacher's special Key Stage 1 assembly – selected parents will be invited to attend nearer the time

### Fri 25<sup>th</sup> October

Teacher Training Day

### Mon 28<sup>th</sup> October – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov

Half Term holiday

### Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> November

Year 1 Parent's Evening

### Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Jumper Day

### Weds 18<sup>th</sup> December

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### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas party

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Break Up for Christmas (return Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025)

### Reminders:

Year One P.E is on Monday and Thursday. Please make sure pupils are wearing the correct P.E uniform on these days.

Also, check that jumpers/cardigans, water bottles and lunchboxes are named so that we can return lost items to their owners!

