

YEAR 1

Autumn 2

2021-2022



We have had a fantastic start to the school year! We appreciate all of your efforts in making your child's transition into Year One as smooth as it has been. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to ask.

Topic

Our Topic this term is 'Explorers' where we will be studying explorers of our world and beyond, looking at our solar system. Our investigations will lead us to become explorers of our own local area and how these differ to others around the world. We will continue to look at environments and discuss natural and human made objects in the world. In art we will continue to explore artwork through mixed media linked to a variety of celebrations from around the world.

We are also still discussing history, and looking at how the world around us has changed in short and longer periods of time.

Maths

In maths are continuing to look at addition and will move into subtraction, using concrete materials, part-part-whole mats, tens frames and drawing pictures to work out answers. We will keep working on problem solving and reasoning by finding answers and justifying them. We will continue

to use concrete resources to deepen our understanding and ensure we are able to use different counting strategies to find the total amount. Below is the maths language we will be using.



Addend + Addend = Sum
Minuend - Subtrahend = Difference

Keep baking and keeping track of how long it takes your child to do simple tasks- like brushing their teeth, getting dressed, making their bed, tidying up their toys etc.

We have sent home Mathletics passwords, please continue to access this from home.

Don't forget to watch the Maths workshop on Google Classroom and buy your Maths Pack from the office for 50p!

English

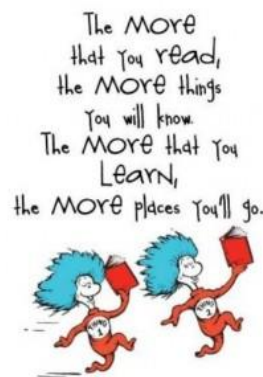
This term we will be reading Billy and the Beast and Astro Girl. The main characters in these stories go on adventures learn about the world around them.

Keep practising your handwriting and using capital letters, full stops and making sure you have finger spaces between your words.

Reading

We cannot stress enough the importance of having your child read to you daily. We are asking for a minimum of 10 minutes each day. Please keep your child's book in their bookbag so it comes to school every day. We aim to read with your child at least twice a week and your child requires the consistency of reading the same book.

It is noticeable when children are reading regularly at home and they are proud to share this with the class. When your child is confident with their home reader, it will be changed.

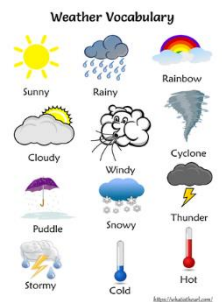


We have also sent home your child's high frequency word book. Keep practising these words at home and please do not move on until your child knows the WHOLE PAGE! If you need some ideas as to what you can do to make learning these words more fun, please come and speak to your child's class teacher.

Science

This term we will continue the study of weather and seasonal change and will continue to track weather patterns for each month.

We will also begin to study different materials and their properties. We will use scientific language to describe these and will make a boat that floats at the end of the term.



P.E

Below are the P.E days for the different classes. Please ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit on their specific day, with the correct footwear. All sessions are outdoor this term, so it is essential that your child wears a tracksuit or similar on their PE day!

PE Timetable		
1EB	Tuesday	Wednesday
1AM	Monday	Wednesday
1NS	Monday	Tuesday

Nature Garden

Please see the days below for when your child will visit the nature garden. Please ensure they have warm, waterproof (if possible) clothing and wellies on the following days. Wellies and waterproofs should be named and also sent to school in a named bag.

Nature Garden Timetable	
1EB	Friday
1AM	Friday
1NS	Tuesday

REQUESTS

If you have any items that we can use for junk modelling, they would be much appreciated!

Daily timetable:
9:00-9:10 Handwriting/ Finger Gym
9:10-9.40 English
9.40-10.15 COOL Time (Choose Our Own Learning)
10.15-10.40 Phonics
10.40-11.00- Break
11:00-11:30 Maths
11.30-12.00- COOL Time
LUNCH
1:00-1.30 Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE/ Music
1.30- 2.50- COOL Time
2.50-3.20- Reading
3.30- Home time

Thank you all for your continued support in your child's learning journey. We look forward to the fun filled term ahead.

The Year 1 Team 😊