

Year 1 Newsletter

Summer 1 2023-2024



What a brilliant Spring Term we have had! Thank you so much for your continued support. We can't believe we are moving into the Final term already! This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask us or contact the office, who will put you in touch.

We are:

1NS - Ned Symes, Kathy Burston/Lordina Bediako
1AM - Amy McGuigan, Amanda White

Topic

Our Topic this term is based on the Amazon. We will be finding out about this wonderful region of our Planet. We will be researching the different types of animals, plants and food that come from this region.

We will continue to look at different environments and will be using maps and atlases to locate other tropical regions around the world. We will also be investigating natural and human features found in the Amazon and looking into what humans are doing in this region which can have an effect on the rest of the planet.

Maths



In maths this term we are moving into multiplication and division - with particular focus on counting in twos, fives and tens. We will also be learning how to share groups equally. Finally, we will be looking at fractions and how to recognise halves and quarters. We will not only be looking at fractions of shapes, but also fractions of quantities of objects (e.g. $\frac{1}{2}$ of 10). We will be using a practical approach to much of this maths to make it as relevant and interesting to the children as possible and hope that they continue to enjoy Maths as much as they currently do!

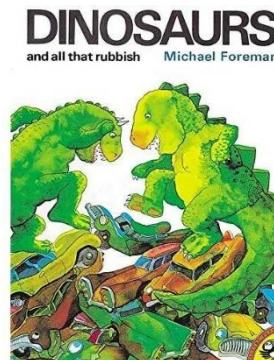
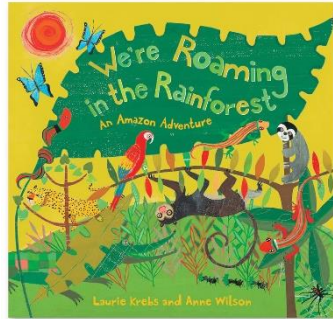
Please continue to have mathematical discussions with your children around time, weight, measurement (length and height and weight and capacity), coins, skip counting (in 2s, 5s and 10s), the composition of numbers, number bonds. Remember, Maths is EVERYWHERE and every conversation could lead to that 'light bulb' moment for your child.

English

This term we will be reading the books *Dinosaurs and all that rubbish* and *We're Roaming in the Rainforest*.

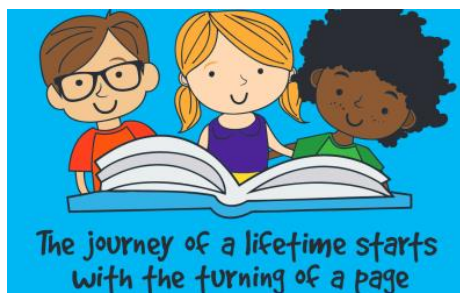
We will be writing letters, writing paragraphs to match headings, using suffixes, continuing to encourage the use of a range of punctuation and looking at past tenses.

Please continue to practise the spelling of your tricky 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. 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 reading book, it will be changed. It is important that you child can ask questions about the story and answer questions that adults are asking them. Your child should be able to retell the story in their own words, identify the characters, setting and discuss the feelings of characters and choices they have made in the story.



Please make sure you sign your child's reading diary every day after they read too. Children are very excited to receive their reading certificates.

Science

This term we are learning about *Plants and Growing*. We will be conducting a range of practical experiments and will be attempting to grow a multitude of different plants and vegetables. Any donations of soil, pots, seeds and gardening utensils would be great for this upcoming topic.

P.E

This term we will have one indoor and one outdoor PE lesson.
We will be learning some racquet skills and looking at problem solving/team work skills.

	1NS	1AM
Outdoor	Monday	Monday
Indoor	Thursday	Tuesday

REQUESTS

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

We are also on the hunt for any old gardening tools, pots, soil or seeds for our upcoming science topics.

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 😊