



Year 1 Newsletter Summer 1 2021-2022



What a fantastic start to 2022 we had. Thank you so much for your continued support. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office, who will put you in touch.

Please continue to practise reading real words and alien words in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check. We have phonics resource packs available to buy in the office for 50p. Please see the ladies in the office to make your purchase.

With the weather getting warmer, please ensure your child's jumpers are labelled clearly with their name. We have quite a collection of jumpers across Year 1. Please check out our lost property if you are missing any belongings.

We also encourage children to bring a labelled water bottle every day.

We are:

1NS - Ned Symes, Amanda White
1AM - Amanda Matheson, Kathy Burston
1EB - Jane Frances, Azra Garner

Topic

Our Topic this term is Amazon Adventures. We will be comparing life in the Amazon to our life in London. We will discuss similarities and differences in our city compared to a village, compare animals, taste food, practise using maps and using directional language. We will continue to discuss the continents of the world and begin to label the oceans.

Maths

In maths this term we are beginning to learn about multiplication and division. Through this unit we will begin by making equal and unequal groups, making arrays and doubling and halving. We will not be explicitly teaching the multiplication and division symbols. Instead, we will be using the language of "equal groups of."

We will then move into finding fractions of shapes (halves and quarters).

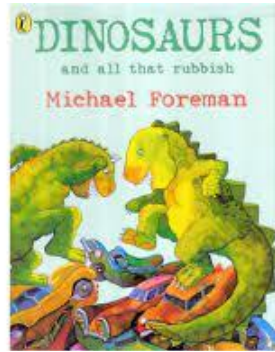
Make sure you keep practising your skip counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to 100 and back again, we will keep practising at school too.

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 and number bonds. Remember, Maths is EVERYWHERE and every conversation could lead to that 'light bulb' moment for your child.

English

We will be starting the term reading the story *Dinosaurs and All that Rubbish* by Michael Foreman which explores the impact of humans on Earth. We will be working towards making a brochure on how to keep the Earth healthy.



Please continue to practise the spelling of your tricky words. If you need another High Frequency Word book, please let your teacher know and we will arrange one for you.

Reading

Please continue to read with your child at home for 10 minutes a day. The children are so excited to receive their stickers and certificates, so it is important to sign their book when they read to you.

Books will be changed when your child is confident with it and can answer questions about what they have read.

Your child should be able to make predictions, retell the story in their own words, identify the characters, setting, problem and solution and hopefully be able to make some text-to-self connections and discuss these with the adults.



Science

This term we are learning about Plants and Growing. We will sort seeds and find similarities and differences and decide how we could classify different seeds. In the coming weeks we will be planting seeds and seeing what we can grow. We will begin to label plants and learn about the importance of each part of a plant.

P.E

This term we have an indoor and an outdoor PE session. These sessions will be warmer, so please make sure your child has a water bottle with them every day.

	1NS/ 1EB	1AM/ 1EB
Indoor	Monday	Tuesday
Outdoor	Tuesday	Monday

REQUESTS

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

If you have any old pots, pans and cooking utensils at home, we would love to have them for our provision.

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 😊