



Year 1 Class Newsletter – Summer 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back for the final term of the 2018 -19 academic year. We can't quite believe how the fast the year has gone, but we are looking forward to all the exciting things to come in the summer term! We have already enjoyed a visit to Highfield Park and lots of activities as part of our "Express Yourself" theme week. Please come and see more of what we have been doing this term in our class assembly on **Thursday 27th June** at 9.10am.

Curriculum

Our summer term topic for Year 1 and 2 is "Explorers". We will be learning about different Explorers from around the world. As part of our exploring this term, we will be going on our own journey to the seaside. Please feel free to bring in anything related to our topic that the children would like to share or that we could use in our role play area for this topic.

English & Maths

In our English this term, Year 1 will be learning about traditional stories where children will be writing their own stories. The children will also be writing instructions and learning about poetry in their lessons.

Our key targets in Maths for this term are:

-To know how to read and write numbers up to 100, and to deepen our understanding of number and place value.

-To begin to share objects between different numbers of groups and to practise repeated addition.

-To begin to tell the time. This is an area that you can really support with, helping the children to start recognising o'clock and half past on an analogue clock face.

Reading & Phonics

All children are expected to bring to school with them their **reading books** and **green reading records** every day. It is really important in Year 1 that children continue to be reading at home daily with an adult or older sibling. The library is now open for children to change their library books before and after school each day. We will continue to change reading books on Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's. Year One will have a Phonics Test in June, which you will receive more information about closer to the time.

Parents and carers are welcomed into school on the first Friday of each month for family reading time. Dates for this are:

Friday 7th June @ 2.45pm

Friday 5th July @ 2.45pm

PSHCE

This half term's Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship education theme across the school is 'Relationships'. The children will be considering the important relationships in their lives and some of the feelings associated with these. As part of this theme the children will look at feelings of loss, and understanding what these mean. We understand that some children might find this difficult. Please let us know if you feel that your child will find this topic tricky, to enable us to be mindful of sensitivities.

PE Kits

Our PE days are now on Wednesdays and Fridays. PE kit includes: white t-shirt, dark shorts and tracksuit bottoms and outdoor trainers. **Please ensure all children have socks and that PE kits and uniform items are named.** Sports day will take place on Tuesday 2nd July.

If you wish to speak to any of the Year 1 team, please do not hesitate to arrange to come and speak to us at the end of the school day.

Best wishes,

Rebecca Mann, Rachel Rowe and the Year One Team.