



Year 1 Spring Term Newsletter

January 2022



Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely and restful Christmas Break!

We would appreciate your encouragement in these areas to support your child's learning. If you have any queries about the information below, please feel free to send us an email or come and see us if emailing is not possible.

English

We start this term (first 3 weeks) looking at the story of The Three Little Pigs. We will be adapting and retelling this story, specifically focused on the characterization of good and bad characters in narratives. We are then going to be delving into the combined worlds of fiction and non-fiction when celebrating Chinese New Year with 'The Magic Paintbrush' alongside non-fiction texts where we will be gathering information and creating leaflets, posters and booklets. After half term we will be reading the story 'Grace and Family' and using adjectives to immerse the reader in a new location, alongside some non-fiction text.

Maths

We will be solving addition and subtraction equations with two-digit numbers to 50. We are also going to be looking at systematic approaches and maths fluency with number 0-20; making number bonds to 20, counting through 10, problem solving and word problems, counting in 2s and 10s and measuring and data handling.

Science/ DT –

Our Science curriculum this term covers: Materials – looking at their properties, making observations and noting changes when in different conditions.
Plants – Structure of plants, variety of plants and what plants need to grow.

History/ Geography/ Computing

Significant people in history – learning about and comparing the reigns of three British Monarchs- Queen Elizabeth I, Queen Victoria & Queen Elizabeth. We will be comparing their homes and lifestyles and finding out why they are significant.
Geography - Where do, and did, the wheels on the bus go? A study of the local area (urban & physical) and identifying places in the British Isles.
What is technology? In computing we will be exploring how and why we use technology as well as creating fact files and posters on word doc.

PE

We will be learning the skills for hockey during our outdoor sessions on Tuesdays and how to play dodgeball in our indoor sessions on Thursdays.

DT and Art

Our DT will be closely linked to our science/English topics and DT topic - free standing structures. In art we will be focusing on developing our colour mixing skills, using colour to create mood in our paintings, investigating painting, weaving techniques and simple 3D sculpture.

RE

We will be learning about Christianity – lifestyle and celebration. Judaism, particularly focusing on authority and worship; 'what do Jewish people believe about God'? And 'Why are Joseph and Moses important to Jews'?

Homework

Our weekly homework will be focusing on spellings and handwriting as last term, we also ask that your child engages with numbots at least once a week, there will also be number fluency quiz sheets and resources available.

Reading

Pupils are expected to read for at least 10 minutes every night. Reading books are changed on a Monday and Thursday. Please write a comment into the yellow book about your child's reading so that we can further support your child's progress.

Yours sincerely
Miss Daulton and Mr Spriggs