Key Stage 1
Spring Term 1 2022

Welcome Back!

We hope you had a lovely Christmas break and are ready for another busy term ahead! We are excited about our new topic 'Street Detectives' and have lots of interesting and inspiring learning ahead.

Please check the weekly newsletter for any key dates or events, notifications for any requests or last minute changes will be sent via SeeSaw.



Notices

We will have PE lessons twice a week, **Inkpen** have PE on **Wednesday and Friday** and **Rosen** on **Wednesday and Friday**. Please send your child into school dressed in their kit, please make sure that trainers and shorts are black and that they are wearing their house colour top. Please provide a note if they cannot participate in PE because of an injury.

Please could we ask that you label all of your child's clothing so that we can return lost items to you as quickly as possible. Also, if you have purchased any of the preloved uniform could you make sure that your child's name is clear to read as some have previous owners making it difficult to decipher. Many thanks for your assistance with this. Please also make sure that your child brings in a coat everyday as we will still go in light rain showers for ventilation purposes.

Homework

Homework is very important part of helping you child to consolidate their learning and have further opportunities to practice their skills. It also teaches children responsibility for their learning, to work independently and help with their time management skills. We do monitor if your child is completing homework regularly. If your child does not engage with Home Learning tasks and regular reading Mrs Featherstone may be in touch to discuss further and offer support if necessary.

Any homework tasks completed will need to be uploaded on SeeSaw. Please make sure that SeeSaw is **only used for uploading homework** as this will be checked once a week. If you need to get a message to us please contact the school office by phone or the parent email. Your child will be issued their own login details and a family code if you have more than one child in the school. There is an app that can be downloaded on phones or tablet devices.

Thank you for all the home learning submitted last half term. The standard was so high and it really helped to bring our topic to life!

The Key Stage One Team This Year Are...

Class Teachers:
Miss Benham
Mrs Harris

Class Assistants:
Mrs Allaway
Mrs Lomax

Sports Coach:
Mr Deverall

Key Dates To Remember This Term

INSET DAY	**Tuesday 4 January**
E SAFETY WEEK	**WB 8th February**
LAST DAY OF TERM	**Friday 18 February**

Congratulations

Well done to our Half Termly Achievers for Term 2:

Jayden and Sam

Reading

Reading is an essential part of your child's learning and a huge contributing factor to their progress. We ask that you read with your child a minimum of 4 times a week. Books are changed daily and we do monitor this as children who read regularly will receive a certificate!

This Half Term

Street Detectives!



Here is an overview of what we will cover in the different areas of the curriculum this term.

English: Our core texts will be 'The Three Little Pigs', 'The Three Little Pigs, An Architects Tale', 'Young Frank Architect', and 'The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig'. The children will revisit traditional tales with surprising twists while learning about inspiring buildings and their architects. The children will be writing poetry and descriptive pieces, sequencing and re-telling traditional tales as well as writing poetry inspired by the rhythms, sights, and sounds of the city streets.



Mathematics: In Year 1, the children will be adding and subtracting numbers within 20 and working on place value to 50.



Year 2 will be starting multiplication and division and then moving onto statistics. Mathletics tasks will be set according to our topics.

Computing: In computing, the children will be creating an algorithm to successfully direct a partner around a set course or path. They will then test the algorithm before using it to program a toy to follow the same instructions. They will talk a bout how successful was their algorithm was in directing the toy and what improvements could be made to the program.

Music: In music we will be focusing on aspects of singing, playing, improvising, composing, and listening. The children will listen to and understand the difference between pitched and untuned rhythm patterns. They will chant together rhythmically, marking rests accurately and play simple ostinato on percussion.

PSHE: This term we will be considering People Who help Us both in school and out and about. The children will learn about a variety of jobs and professions that support a community's safety and well being.



Homework: For Year 1 children, homework will be set weekly and will alternate between a Mathletics task or a phonics task.

Year 2 will also be set homework weekly and this will alternate between a Mathletics task or reading comprehension. The new homework grid is now on the website, please aim for at least one task a week.

Humanities: This way or that way? Where should we go? Up to the local shops or down to the playing fields? Let's learn about our local community, looking at houses old and new and finding out how our streets have changed since our mums and dads were young. Perhaps your granny or grandpa went to your school or maybe they worked in the baker's shop? Make maps and plans of the streets around us, planning our routes. What can you see? What can we find? Whereabouts do you live? Do you know your address? Find out how to write instructions, directions, adverts and learn rhymes all about our community from different times. When the Lord Mayor writes and asks us to help make our street a better place, it's time to get your thinking caps on and paintbrushes at the ready. Ready to roll, Street Detectives? Get your clipboards and cameras – it's time to start investigating.

Science: Our topic this term is Materials. The children will identify a variety of materials in our environment and discover their unique properties. The children will sort and classify materials based on their ability to manipulated, resist and absorb water and reflect and absorb light.

Physical Education: This half term the children will be starting gymnastics which will involve developing control and coordination when travelling and remaining still. We will also look at different ways of travelling, balancing and climbing.



Art and DT: We will be looking at the work of artists who drew or painted the urban landscapes of their locality. The children will talk about what the artist has drawn or painted and what they think they might see, hear and smell if they walked into the place in the painting. They will then make drawings, paintings and collages of buildings or statues in the local area.

RE: Our unit this term is called 'Does Everyone Celebrate the New Year?' We will be making our resolutions and investigate how other faiths mark the New Year.

Our Value this term is:

