Key Stage 1
Autumn 1 2019

The Key Stage One Team This Year Are...

Class Teachers:
Miss Benham
Mrs Harris
Class Assistants:
Mrs Allaway
Mrs Brown
Mr Cook
Sports Coach:
Mr Deverall

Welcome Back!

The children are settling into their routines now and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support with this. We have a parents evening later this term, but please come and see us if you have any queries about your child's learning.

A gentle reminder that the children should now be coming into the classroom on their own and if you to need to speak to the class teacher then please do this at the door. This will really aid us in helping the children to organise themselves independently and start their learning. Thank you.

Key Dates To Remember This Term

BEALE PARK TRIP	Wednesday 16th October
LAST DAY OF TERM	Thursday 24th October
INSET DAY	Friday 25th October
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	Monday 4th November
SCHOOL PHOTOS	Wednesday 13th November
FLU IMMUNISATION	Thursday 14th November
AHLBERG'S CHRISTINGLE ASSEMBLY	Wednesday 4th December
INKPEN'S HANNUKAH ASSEMBLY	Wednesday 11th December
LAST DAY OF TERM	Friday 20th December

Stars & Half Termly Achievers



Each Friday we celebrate our stars of the week in a special school assembly.

If your child has been awarded star of the week you are welcome to join us in celebrating your child's success at 8.50am

Notices



Firstly, please look at the key dates. The first term is very busy! Any additional dates will appear on the school's newsletter as they are arranged.

Please continue reading with your child regularly. Don't forget to do the sounds before you start the book and question your child about their understanding of what they have read every few pages. Comprehension and inferences are a vital part of the reading process. Reading books will be changed regularly. Please ensure your child's book is brought into school everyday as they may be reading with an adult on that day. The sound charts, reading band guide and recommended reading lists are now available on our year group page on our website.

We will have PE lessons twice a week. Please ensure that the kit is brought into school on a Monday and taken home Fridays to be washed.

Ahlberg have PE on Monday and Tuesday and Inkpen on Tuesday and Wednesday. On the PE days, please leave the class promptly so that the children can change for PE in privacy.

Please also provide the correct kit for PE, including trainers and a plastic bag for these to go in incase they get muddy. Kit also needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name. **Please provide a note if they cannot participate in PE because of an injury**.

This Half Term



Paws, Claws and Whiskers!

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

English:



This term the children will be telling, sequencing and writing stories, using non-fiction books to research our topic Paws, Claws and Whiskers. They will also be writing non-fiction pamphlets.

Mathematics:



This half term we will be developing the children's knowledge of place value and number using a variety of practical and visual activities to further enhance the children's understanding of the number system.

Computing:



In computing, the children will be learning how to use the keyboard to write simple text. They will also be using a paint program to illustrate their ideas.

Music:

In music the children will begin to learn how to keep a simple beat through pulse and rhythm. We will be using African music and instruments to compose a simple rhythm

PSHE:

This term we will be looking at safety at home, school, and out and about. We will also create class charters to encourage positive learning behaviours based on the Unicef Rights of the Child.

Humanities:



The children will be exploring the topic of 'Paws Claws And Whiskers' creatively through a variety of activities involving research, modelling, knowledge harvest, investigations and project work. Please encourage your children to complete tasks on the homework grid and bring them in to showcase with the rest of the class.



Science:

We will classifying and identify animal based on their physical characteristics, diet and habitat.

Physical Education:



This half term the children will be exploring movement through tagging and dodging games. This half term we will be closely monitoring to ensure that all children have a clearly labelled PE kit with appropriate footwear such as trainers. If you child is attending and afterschool club please make sure that they have a healthy, nut free snack.

Art and DT: The children will be using mixed media to explore our topic. They will be painting, designing and modelling animals with paws, claws and whiskers.



RE: The children will be exploring leadership through bible stories. They will be learning about different faith leaders and how they support their communities.



Home Learning grids are given out each term and can be found in the front of your child's book along with the spelling grids and Mathletics login. Spellings are tested on a Friday.

Our **Value** this term is:

