

Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn 1

Our English Learning

This half term, our focus text will be Little Red Riding Hood. We will be sequencing and writing a narrative. In phonics, the children will be recapping Phase 3 digraphs they learnt in Reception. Children will also have two group reading sessions each week, focusing on comprehension, vocabulary and fluency.

Children will continue to foster a love of reading by sharing stories each day.

You could help your child at home with their English learning by:

- Listening to your child read every day.
- Reading stories together.
- Talking about everyday things and encouraging them to use new words.
- Writing, colouring and drawing together.

The title of our geography unit is: What is it like to live here?

During this geography unit children will learn all about our local area. They will learn about the physical and human features in Radcliffe and create simple maps plotting these features.

This half term, in Science, children will be exploring the changing seasons, focussing on Autumn. We will observe how the world around us changes as the season progresses, including changes in the weather, trees and plants. Children will have opportunities to make observations, ask questions and talk about the changes they notice.

You could help your child at home with their science learning by: talking about what you notice when you are out and about. You could also take a nature walk together and look for signs of Autumn, such as fallen leaves, conkers, acorns and changes in the trees.

Our Mathematics Learning

This half term we will be focussing on developing children's understanding of numbers within 10. We will explore how numbers can be composed and practise recognising numbers using subitising. We will also compare quantities, using the language 'more than', 'fewer than', 'greater than', 'less than' and 'equal to'. Throughout these sessions, children will use practical resources such as rekenreks, 10-frames, fingers and Numberblocks to support their mathematical thinking.

You could help your child at home with their maths learning by:

- Singing number songs and rhymes
- Counting objects at home
- Comparing quantities
- Spotting numbers in everyday life

Other news and updates about our class:

- Please ensure your child brings their bookbag and reading book to school every day.
- Reading books will be changed once a week.
- We will have PE twice a week, on a Tuesday and Thursday.
- On Fridays we will have Show & Tell. Your child can bring in something small that is special to them to talk about in class.
- No question is too small. Please pop in and see me if you have any questions about how you can help your child at home.