

Year 1 Newsletter

Spring 1

Our English Learning

This half term, our focus text will be The Bog Baby. Children will focus on past tense verbs and write a narrative based on the text, while developing their basic writing skills.

Reading

In phonics, the children will recap phase 5 graphemes learnt last term. They will take part in regular group reading sessions, where they will practise reading with prosody to support their comprehension.

We will continue to foster a love of reading.

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

- Sharing stories
- Listening to your child read at least three times a week.
- Writing, colouring and drawing together.

In R.E. children will be learning about baptism and how some Christian families welcome babies into their community. This unit will build on the children's knowledge of Jesus' birth and introduce the concept of belonging to the Christian family.

The title of our geography unit is: What is the weather like in the UK?

During this geography unit children will learn the names of the four countries of the UK. They will identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK.

You can help your child at home by discussing the weather each day, watching weather reports on television or reading them in the newspaper, and looking for signs of spring.

In science children will be learning about humans. We will be exploring parts of our bodies, we will learn about our senses and how we change as we grow.

You could help your child at home with their science learning by talking about your senses and the part of the body associated with each sense, reading books about the human body, and looking at baby pictures and talking about how your child has changed.

Other news and updates about our class:

- We will have PE twice a week, on a Tuesday and Thursday.
- Reading books will be changed on Tuesdays.
- Please ensure your child brings their bookbag and reading book to school every day.
- No question is too small - pop in and see me if you have any questions about how you can help your child at home.

Our Mathematics Learning

This half term children will continue their unit on shape. They will learn to recognise, compose, decompose and manipulate 3D shapes. They will also be learning about the composition of numbers from 6-10, and learning which numbers are odd and even and the difference between them.

In addition to this we have daily Mastering Number sessions to support mastery learning in maths.

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

- Counting objects
- Reading and writing numbers
- Discussing their daily routine.
- Looking for shapes in the world around you.