



Year 1 Newsletter: Autumn 2

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable half term break. We would like to give you a brief outline of the work your child will be covering this half term. We will focus our work around the book 'Owl Babies' and continue to focus on number as well as addition and subtraction within Maths.

Maths

Number: Place Value – Children will count to 20, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from a given number. They will read and write numbers from 1-20 in numerals and words and count in multiples of 10s and 2s.

Number: Subtraction and Addition – Children will represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts (within 20). They will add and subtract one digit numbers and two digit numbers (to 20), including zero. We will be looking at solving one-step problems that involve addition and subtraction and missing number problems.

Shape and Measure – Children will be recognising, naming and sorting 2D & 3D shapes. They will begin to make simple patterns.

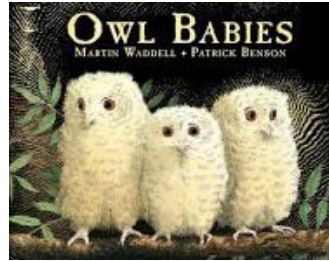
English

Children will be researching Birds of Prey to link with this half terms book 'Owl Babies'. Children will discover all there is to know about owls before creating a fact file. We will then build up to re-writing the beginning of the 'Owl Babies' story.

Children will continue to develop their handwriting through our handwriting scheme 'Penpals'. Children will also be taking part in weekly guided reading sessions and will read 1:1 with an adult fortnightly. We will continue to work through our Floppys phonics scheme with streamed daily sessions.

Art/DT

Children will learn all about pop-ups and sliders in their DT work this half term. We will look at the moving parts of a card and how they are made. Children will then create their own moving card with a Christmas theme. Children will also make calendars and take part in our Christmas craft morning in December.



Science 'Animals Including Humans'

Children will be identifying and naming a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. They will describe and sort their different features and will identify which animals are herbivores, omnivores and carnivores. Children will then look at and name basic parts of the human body.

RE

Children will be looking at special occasions from around the world and will discuss how we celebrate them. They will also look at the importance of saying thank you.

HISTORY

Children will explain what we know about toys today before exploring toys from the past. We will look at similarities and differences from different time periods and use words relating to the passing of time.

PE

This half term we will be completing the first unit of our PE scheme 'Beyond the Physical' our three focuses for this half term are agility, balance and co-ordination.

Music

Understanding pitch, and making high and low vocal sounds. We will also be practising our Christmas performance songs.

PSHE

In PSHE we are looking at Mental Health and Wellbeing. Children will learn about their own and other peoples feelings.

Our Place in 'Our' World.

Children will become aware of key world events by learning about special occasions from around the world and how we celebrate them.

Aspiring Entrepreneurs

In Year 1 children will be encouraged to face challenges with a growth mindset and resilience. They will reflect on their work ensuring that they are able to improve it and set themselves aspirational targets.

Healthy and Happy Living

Children will be encouraged to share their views and opinions within all areas of school life, knowing that their voice matters. This will be a huge focus during our restorative circle sessions. We will also be learning about our own and other peoples feelings.

Inquisitive Investigators

As Inquisitive Investigators, the children will be provided with many opportunities to develop their skills. In Science children will describe and sort animals as well as identify which animals are herbivores, omnivores and carnivores.

Important information to remember

- **Year 1 PE will now take place on a Thursday (pm)**. Please send your child to school in their PE kit. Lessons may take place outside so please ensure that the children have appropriate kit and trainers on this day.
- **1:1 reading** please ensure that your child's book bag is returned to school every **Thursday** so that we can take out their previous reading books and send home your child's next set of reading books for the week on the Friday. Reading books must be logged as complete on 'BoomReader' to ensure they are changed. We will not be changing books on any other day of the week so book bags do not need to be brought into school for the rest of the week.
- **Owl Visit** Thank you all for your donations towards the owl visit on Thursday 16th November I am sure you will agree this is a wonderful experience for all children and we are very much looking forwards to meeting them.
- Christmas craft morning will take place on **Monday 4th December** this year please check Facebook and the website for any updates. Children will also be learning a variety of Christmas songs to perform to parents – more details will follow.

Thank you for your continued support ☺

Miss Charlton, Mrs Conway and Miss Campbell.