



Year 1 Newsletter: Spring 1



Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and are enjoying a healthy and happy start to 2024. We would like to give you a brief outline of the work your child will be covering this half term.

Maths

Number: Place Value – Children will count to 50, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from a given number. They will read and write numbers from 1-50 in numerals and words, and count in multiples of 10s, 5s 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.

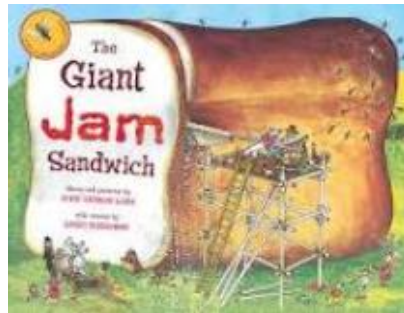
English

This half term children will be focussing on the book 'The Giant Jam Sandwich'. They will send invitations to the senior leadership team inviting them to a picnic at the end of term as well as plan shopping and ingredient lists. Children will complete some instructional writing containing imperative verbs.

Children will take part in whole class reading sessions, as well as reading 1:1 with an adult weekly.

DT

Children will complete a taste test of a variety of different breads and complete an evaluation form. They will share their likes and dislikes and look at where in the world the bread comes from and the different ingredients. Children will also have the opportunity to make some bread within provision.



Science

The children will be looking at **Seasonal Changes**. They will observe changes within each season. Children will work scientifically to create tables and charts representing weathers linked with each season and how the day length varies. Children will be able to say how to stay safe and healthy in each season.

RE

Children will look at what it means to belong and understand that symbols have meanings. They will talk about what makes a place special and learn about the Christianity and Muslim faith.

Computing

This half term we will be learning about digital printing. Children will be working on an iPad to create their own digital paintings. The children will be using a range of tools: paintbrush, pencils, eraser, fill tool and undo tool.

PE

This half term we will be completing Unit 4 'Creative Skills' of our Real PE scheme. Children will be exploring ball skills and taking part in counter balance activities.

PSHE

Children will be looking at what makes themselves and others special. They will investigate their roles and responsibilities within school and learn how to co-operate with others.

Music

Children will be working independently and in small groups to create different sounds and simple sequences with the Boom whacker. They will learn how to create a simple sequence with a rest beat.

History

The children will investigate the improvements in nursing over the years and will learn about the famous names that helped change nursing to what it is today, such as Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole.

Our' Place in 'Our' World.

We will develop our knowledge of the wider world by researching significant people from the past and learning about how they have had an impact in the world. We will develop an awareness of our roles and responsibilities within school and at home.

Aspiring Entrepreneurs

As Aspiring Entrepreneurs, we will begin to challenge ourselves to use different learning styles. We will apply different skills to complete a given challenge during our growth mindset week and we will reflect on our work and evaluate which style worked best for us.

Healthy and Happy Living

In PE, we will promote positive relationships through learning to work as part of a team. We will use our imagination to set ourselves more challenging goals.

Inquisitive Investigators

As Inquisitive Investigators, we will deepen our knowledge of different learning styles. Through exploring a range of media, we will create our own portraits based on the work of famous artists.

Important information to remember:

- For this half term PE will continue to take place on a Thursday afternoon, please can children come to school wearing school PE kit suitable for outdoor PE (where possible).
- Year 1's allocated day for returning book bags is a **Thursday**. Please bring your child's book bag in on that day so that we can take out their previous reading books and send home their next reading book on the Friday.
- Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle every day clearly labelled with their name.
- Please continue to practise your child's weekly spellings and big maths facts. We will test the children every Friday and send home the results that they achieve.
- We would also like your child to practise their number bonds to 10 e.g. $4+6=10$. They need to know them off by heart as well as knowing the related subtraction facts. We will move onto number bonds to 20 this half term.

Thank you for your continued support ☺

Miss Charlton, Miss Campbell and Mrs Conway