



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.

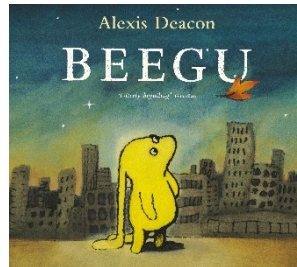
Shape and Measure – Children will be recognising, naming and sorting 2D & 3D shapes. They will begin to make simple patterns.

English

Children will continue to follow the Floppy's phonics scheme for all phonics sessions. We will focus our writing around the book 'Beegu'. The children will create a diary entry. They will use the story to write their own set of simple instructions linked to caring for others. Children will continue to develop their handwriting through our handwriting scheme. Children will be reading 1:1 with an adult in class fortnightly.

Art/DT

Children will be researching the well-known artist Peter Thorpe and will critique some of his most famous paintings. They will be re-creating their own version using paints and collage. Children will also create their own solar system picture using chalk.



Science 'Senses'

Children will be able to identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part is associated with each of the five senses.

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 people's 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 people's 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 Friday (am).** 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.
- Christmas craft morning will take place on **Monday 1st December** this year - please check Facebook and the website for any updates. Children will also be performing a Nativity for parents and carers - more details will follow.

Thank you for your continued support 😊

Miss Charlton, Miss Cassidy and Mrs Campbell.