

# Year 1 Newsletter: Summer 1



Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to Summer 1. We hope that you have all had an enjoyable break. The children have been working really hard and especially impressed us during our 'Science Investigation week'. We would like to give you a brief outline of the work your child will be covering this half term. We are focusing most of our work around our chosen English book – Jack and the Beanstalk.

## Maths

**Number: Place Value** – Children count forwards and backwards within 50. Children build on previous learning of numbers to 20. They will learn about grouping in 10s and their understanding of 1 ten being equal to 10 ones is reinforced.

**Number: Multiplication and Division** - Children build on their previous knowledge of counting in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s going up to numbers to 50+.

**Number: Fractions** - Children explore finding a half for the first time using shapes and sets of objects. They will use the vocabulary 'half and 'whole'.

## English

This half term our focus text is 'Jack and the Beanstalk' we are going to focus on writing sentences using the conjunction and. We will create a story map to re-tell the story before moving on to identify the villains of the story. The children will produce a villain flip book.

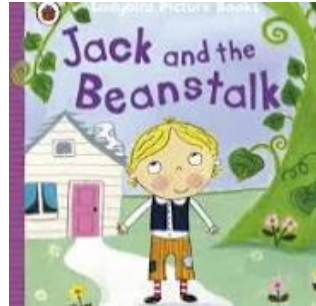
We will continue to follow our ISHA handwriting scheme x3 weekly. In guided reading children will continue to focus on retrieval, prediction and inference.

## PE

This half term we will be practising our athletic skills in the build up to sports day. Children will take part in a variety of races for their school house and the overall winners will be named on the big day!

## PSHE

This half term we will look at the importance of keeping safe and the importance of knowing who to ask for help. Children will learn about personal safety and how to keep others safe.



## 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.

## Geography

Children will locate places in the UK by using an atlas and recognising the world's continents, seas and oceans.

## RE

This half term the children will look at a number of religious stories to identify the moral.

## Art

Children will be looking at the work of famous artists and will begin to learn the skills of drawing a self portrait. They will create a portrait of someone using a range of different materials. They will complete the topic by creating a portrait in the style of

## Computing

This half term we will be introducing the children to data and information. Children will begin label objects and sort them into groups. Children will then answer questions about the data.

## Our Place in Our World.

Children will begin to understand their Place in the World starting at their front door. They will learn about the towns, cities and countries in which they belong to.

## Aspiring Entrepreneurs

In PE, children will be encouraged to face challenges with a growth mindset and resilience focusing on taking part in team games. They will work together to solve problems within an ethos of positive competition.

## Healthy and Happy Living

Children will learn the importance of keeping their bodies healthy by identifying what types of things we put into our bodies and how these make us feel.

## Inquisitive Investigators

As Inquisitive Investigators, we will be conducting our own investigations comparing flowers and evergreen plants. We will look at what a plant needs to grow and help this to grow our own flower.

## Important information to remember:

- This half term all Y1 classes will have PE on a Wednesday and a Thursday. Please send your child to school in their PE kit. Lessons will take place outside where possible now the weather is improving, so please ensure that the children come to school in the appropriate kit and trainers on this day.
- 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 set of reading books on the Friday.
- 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 and 20. They need to know them off by heart as well as knowing the related subtraction facts.

Thank you for your continued support  
Miss Charlton, Mrs Campbell and Miss Cassidy