

Year 1 Newsletter: Summer 2

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to a warmer and brighter half term. We hope you had an enjoyable break! 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 and across 100, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from a given number. They will read and write numbers from 1-100 in numerals and words and count in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s.
- **Measure: Money** – Children will recognise the value of different denominations of coins and notes. They will compare and count money efficiently.
- **Time** - Children will recognise and use language relating to dates, including days of the week, weeks, months and years. They will begin to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour and draw the hands on a clock face to show these times. We will compare, describe and solve practical problems for time.

English

We will focus our work this half term around transitioning to Year 2 and ensuring we have the skills needed to prepare ourselves for a higher level of work. Our book this half term is 'The Dragon Machine'; we will sequence the story before creating our own story maps. We will then retell the story concentrating on using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops with increasing independence. We will continue with x3 weekly handwriting practise with a focus on letter formation and beginning to join two letters. Children will also continue to practise spelling the Year 1 common exception words accurately and include these within their work.

Music

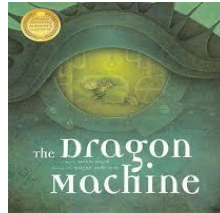
The children will be combining voices, movement and instruments to perform a chant and a song. They will learn to keep a steady beat on an instrument and perform word rhythms with movement.

Art

This half term the children will be learning about the famous artist Wassily Kandinsky. They will also learn about colour mixing using paint and the colour wheel.

The Dragon

Machine



Science Plants

This half term we will be looking closely at the different parts of a plant and labelling them. We will dissect a flower and categorise the individual parts into a data table. Children will then learn what a plant/flower needs to grow before growing their own to take care of both in school and at home.

History

Children will be learning about the life of the heroine Grace Darling. We will be recounting Grace's rescue and learning why she is still remembered today. We will be delving into how she shaped the lives of many people around the world.

Computing

This half term, children will be learning about programming through Scratch Jr. They will use program blocks to use, modify and create programs.

PSHE

In PSHE children will learn about where money comes from and will begin to understand about making choices when spending money.

PE - Athletics

The children will learn to run with speed and control, jump with control and throw and catch a ball.

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 through awe and wonder exploring a range of different experiments.

Important information & Dates to remember:

- Our Year 1 Phonics Screening Test will take place the week commencing **Monday 8th June**. If you have a planned holiday for this week please let your child's teacher know so they can make alternative arrangements for your child to take the test.
- **Year 1 PE will take place on a Tuesday and a Thursday this half term.** Please send your child to school in their PE kit. Lessons will take place outside where possible so please ensure that the children come to school in the appropriate kit and trainers on these days.
- Year 1's farm visit will take place on Tuesday 23rd June - please refer to your letter for any additional information about the day.

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