



Welcome back to school! We hope you've had a restful and enjoyable summer holiday. Here is some information you might need for Year One this term. If you have any questions, please come and see us.

Teachers: Miss McAteer and Mr Morgan TAs: Mrs Stone, Mrs Eaglestone and Mrs Salvage

<u>Our main themes: Living Beasts</u>	<u>English units:</u>	<u>Maths topics:</u>
<p>Science-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Humans: identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and describe the five senses. • Animals: identify, name, describe and compare a variety of common animals. • Plants and trees: identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants and describe their basic structure. <p>Design & Technology - children will grow a range of fruit and vegetables to prepare and sell at their own café.</p> <p>History – children will investigate the lives of significant individuals (Rothschild family, Charles Darwin).</p> <p>Geography – children will explore the local environment and devise a simple map of a known location.</p> <p>Art – children will use a range of materials and artists to create a collage of different types of animals.</p> <p>Computing – children will begin to explore digital texts, creating their own digital content using a range of devices and software.</p>	<p>Stories with predictable phrasing – children will write simple sentences using patterned language, words and phrases taken from familiar stories.</p> <p>Labels, lists and captions – children will write labels and sentences for an in-class exhibition or display/</p> <p>Recount – children will write simple first person recounts based on personal experience, using adverbs of time to aid sequencing.</p> <p>Poetry – children will read, write and perform free verse, reciting familiar poems by heart.</p> <p>Grammar – children will begin to use capital letters for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'. Children will leave spaces between words and use full stops in the correct place and begin to use exclamation marks and question marks appropriately.</p>	<p>Number and place value – children will count to and across 100 and recognise place value of tens and ones in teen numbers. Children will count in multiples of two and identify and represent numbers to 20.</p> <p>Addition and subtraction – children will begin to memorise through reasoning, addition and subtraction facts for numbers up to at least 10 and <i>begin</i> to use number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20.</p> <p>Measurement – children will recognise and know the value of different denominations of coins and notes and use non-standard units to measure lengths, height, mass, weight, capacity and volume.</p> <p>Multiplication and division – children will explore and use doubles of all numbers to 10 and corresponding halves through grouping and sharing.</p> <p>Fractions – children will recognise, find and name a half as one of two equal parts of an object shape or quantity.</p> <p>Geometry – children will use familiar objects and known shapes to recreate patterns and build models.</p>

Our **PE days** are Tuesday's and Friday's. The kit pupils need is: Trainers, track suit trousers, shorts, t-shirts. **Please ensure all belongings are clearly named.**

Home Learning: Will go out on Wednesday for return the following Monday. We also ask that children read daily with an adult.

Other ways to help at home:

Learning number bonds up to 5/10/20/50/100.
Spelling days of the week and numbers to 20 in words.
Phonics practice to Phase 5 (see attached list for guidance).
Handwriting practice.

Reminders and Requests:

Please make sure that children bring in their named indoor and outdoor shoes and a named water bottle every day. Reading books are changed on Mondays and Fridays. Please make sure that reading records are signed when you have read with your child.

Please note class assemblies this year will take place on Wednesday mornings at 9.10am in the Key Stage 2 hall.

Trip / visitors / curriculum days –

To enrich our themed learning this term we are planning a trip to Tring ZSL Museum and a local café in the town centre as well as visiting the local memorial gardens.

More details to follow.

Class assembly dates:

1FM – Wednesday 8th November
1TM - Wednesday 15th November

If any parents could volunteer their time to help with reading, phonics or maths focused activities this term, please speak to your child's class teacher (8.30-9am and 2.30-3.15pm are helpful slots.) We would be extremely grateful!