



Year One's Termly Newsletter

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: *Mrs Aldridge, Miss Higby and Mrs Glass* TAs: *Miss Eaglestone, Mrs Salvage, Mrs Rouse, Mrs Morley and Mrs Street.*

This term we will be focusing our learning around 'Creatures' for the first half and 'Toys' for the second half. Key aspects across the curriculum include...

<u>Our main themes: Creatures / Toys</u>	<u>English units:</u>	<u>Maths topics:</u>
<p>Science-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animals: children will learn about mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish. They will think about the needs of different pets and become familiar with the terms carnivore, herbivore and omnivore. • Humans: children will find out the names and the functions of different parts of their bodies before looking at each of the five senses. • Materials: identifying, classifying and describing the materials used to make a variety of toys. <p>History – children will think, find out about and discuss their families' favourite toys. They will then go on to talk about how those toys are different to the ones they play with today.</p> <p>Geography – Children will find out where the UK is located on a World map. They will explore the features of the countries and capital cities in the UK before finding out about their local area of Tring.</p> <p>Art – children will explore a variety of Giuseppe Arcimboldi's paintings and find out what different natural materials he used as inspiration.</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 be learning 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>Phonics- we will continue working through the phases with the children at their individual pace.</p>	<p>Number and place value – children will count to and across 100 and recognise place value of tens and ones in teen numbers. They will look at number patterns as well as comparing and estimating amounts.</p> <p>Addition and subtraction – children will begin to memorise and reason 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. They will also be problem solving and working through maths investigations using their understanding of numbers to 20. Children will be learning how to use a variety of methods to support them to solve addition and subtraction calculations, for example tens frames, cherry models and number lines.</p> <p>Geometry – children will use positional language and ordinal numbers in practical contexts. They will also be looking at the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.</p>

Our **PE days** are Tuesdays and Fridays. 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.
- 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. Some of our learning will take place outside and therefore a coat is essential and waterproofs will be useful. Reading books are changed on Mondays and Fridays. Please make sure that reading records are signed when you have read with your child.

Family Learning takes place every Monday morning 8:30-9am and you are welcome to join us as often as you are able to from Monday 16th September.

Please note class assemblies this year will take place on Thursday 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 College Lake in Tring.

More details to follow.

Class assembly dates:

1BA – Thursday 5th December
1EH – Thursday 12th December

Church Services:

Harvest Church Service: 11th
October 2019
Christmas Carol Service: TBC

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. If you wish to help in school regularly you may be asked to complete a DBS check at the school office. Please come to talk to one of us in the first instance about when you may be able to help and we can explain the procedure.