



Year 1

Half Termly Update

Summer 1

Dear Parents,

We hope you have all had a lovely holiday. We are so excited to start the summer term as we have lots of exciting things ahead of us. Below you will find an overview of all the great things the children will be learning. As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Many thanks,
Year 1 Team

English

This half term the children will have the chance to read a wide range of texts, including: **Jack and the Flum Flum Tree**, **The Odd Egg** and **Whale**. We encourage you to ask your child about what they are reading in school and discuss their likes and dislikes around the text. We are continuing to work on building sentences and varying sentence types. By the end of Year 1, children should be able to use adjectives confidently to improve their writing.

Phonics

The Year 1 children have made fantastic progress with their phonics. Each day they attend their phonics group to help them build on their reading ability. As the children are becoming more confident readers, we will focus on the children's accuracy and fluency as they are reading. We always encourage a passion and love for reading therefore it is advised that you read with your child for at least 15 minutes every day.

Maths

This half term the children will begin to learn about **fractions of shapes**. We will be looking at **time** and then moving on to **geometry**. If you would like to support your children at home we encourage you to promote doodle maths with your child.

Science

In Science, we will be looking at **Seasonal Changes**. The children will discuss what they already know about weather, building on their learning from Reception. They will then look at weather forecasts and observe changes across the four seasons. By the end of the unit, children will be able to describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies depending on the season.

Geography

This half term in Geography, the children will be learning about **Oceans and Climate**. They will learn to name some of the major seas surrounding the United Kingdom and discuss why Earth is called the Blue Planet. Building on this, they will learn that there are five oceans: the Atlantic, Pacific, Indian and Southern. There will also be a chance to discover different sea creatures and marine life that can be found.

P.E.

PE will remain to be on a Tuesday. Children should come to school in their P.E. kit (white top, shorts/tracksuit bottoms and trainers).

Children will be looking at games this term. They will be focusing on receiving, sending, marking and aiming by playing different ball games. This will help with the children's hand eye coordination and their skills when doing a sport.

PSHCE

This term in PSHCE, children will be looking at all different ways we can keep safe. Whether this is in their homes, outside and even in school. Children will be looking at real and imaginary dangers and know to tell a trusted adult if they feel unsafe.

Music

The children will now have music lessons on a **Tuesday**. They have this with a specialist music teacher. During lessons, they learn many different rhythmic skills and songs.

Homework

Please find time to support your child with their homework. As the phonics screening check approaches your child may receive extra phonics words to practice with you at home. If you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher.