



Year 1

Half Termly Update

Autumn Term 2

Dear Parents,
Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful half term! We have disclosed information for the half term ahead. It includes what your child will be learning throughout the half term and what our expectations for them are.

Sincerely,
Year 1 Team

English - Writing

During this term, we will be continuing to focus more on the basic writing skills Year 1 children need to become secure in such as writing on the line, using capital letters, full stops and spaces between words. We will also be focusing on children using their phonics knowledge to help them write their sentences more independently. We are going to be looking at a variety of different texts which the children will learn to orally rehearse and write it up from memory.

English - Reading

As reading is a crucial skill a child needs in order to develop, we are aware of how to help children learn the important skills to help them with their reading. They will be placed in their allocated Phonics groups where they will learn and review different new sounds every day. They will also learn how to decode and segment words. As children keep practising their sounds and books at home, they will become more fluent and confident with their reading. We always encourage a passion and love for reading therefore it is advised that you encourage children to read at home. Children must read for 15 minutes every day at home in order to progress.

Maths

In maths this term, we are looking closely at numbers 1-20. We will become more confident with number and place value which will allow the children to count and add more confidently and efficiently. While we will still use concrete resources to help children with their maths, we will also be moving on to more pictorial resources to help them with their maths. Children will learn how to add, subtract and compare numbers from 1-20.

Science

During this half term, we will be learning all about animals, including humans. Children will be investigating different types of animals and what animals they already know. We will be doing lots of comparing and sorting in order to get a deeper understanding of animals what groups they belong to and what habitats they live in.

History or Geography

During history and geography, our topic is called 'Me and my Memories'. We will be focusing on comparing traditional and modern toys. This allows us to look back at the past and know how life has changed since then.

RE

During this term, we will look closely at Christianity. We will be looking at what Christians believe; what artefacts they use during their religious times and what festivals they celebrate.

P.E.

Children have PE on Mondays with Right Way Sports. These professionals teach the children all the different skills they need to know in the curriculum. Make sure your children come into school with their PE uniform on. They do not need to get changed at school. In the Spring, the children will become more independent and have the chance to change in school.

Music

The children have music on Mondays. They have this with a specialist teacher. They learn many different rhythmic skills and songs.

Homework

Please find time to support your child with their homework. They will be given Maths work to complete that has to do with their maths lessons that week. They will also get spellings to practise every week.

