










Year One Newsletter

Spring Two:

Dear Parents,

We are half way through the academic year and we have exciting Spring 2 ahead.

Our topic this half term is: Our Passions

 English	In our English lessons, we shall be writing a narrative and non-fiction text. We are getting better at using description in our writing, so now we also want to remember to check that our sentences make sense. In phonics, we are continuing to learn how to spell the words we are able to read and recall all of the sounds that we have learnt, so far. During guided reading, we are focusing on recalling our tricky words and common exception words, to develop our reading fluency
 Reading for Pleasure	We are really getting to know our author, for this term, John Burningham and his books. Our class favourite is <i>Edwardo</i> . We have this book on our 'Book Of Three' bookshelf, so that we can enjoy reading this book, with a partner. Another favourite is called <i>Grandpa</i> . It is quite a sad story and it reminds us of how to appreciate the time we spend with our families.
 Maths	In our Maths lessons, we shall continue to develop our knowledge of the place value and apply this when adding and subtracting . We will also be problem solving, using addition and subtraction. We want to be confident to use and apply our number bonds to 10 and 20. During this half term, we will also be measuring weight and capacity. We want to become confident at using the correct language when comparing, and recording measurement. Please keep on using https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/17339 to learn the 2, 5 and 10 times table.
 Science	This half term, we our focus will be plants . We shall be carrying out a scientific investigation, to find out what a plant needs to grow. We will also become familiar with the parts of a plant, and be able to locate them on a range of plants.
 RE	In RE, the focus is Salvation. In the run up to Easter, this unit is timely in learning about the importance of Jesus to Christians. Our bible study will also be based around Jesus. This term, we want to be able to become better theologians by doing lots of vocabulary work, during these lessons.
 Computing	In computing, we are focusing on independently saving work in our own folders. We are getting so good at logging on the computers now and our mouse skills are improving. We will continue to talk about E-safety and staying safe online.
 Topic	For this Topic week, our subject will be History . We will be looking at the lives of significant individuals, who have contributed to the world in a profound way. In particular, we will be looking at how William Caxton made an impact on books. For Parents to School Day, it would be great if you could bring in your favourite book!
 PE	PE is taught by Mr Browne on Friday morning . We are doing batting skills this term, and will be doing P.E outside, when the weather is mild. It is important that all children bring a full P.E kit; a white t-shirt and black shorts/ leggings. Please write your child's name on the label of ALL pieces of clothing.
 Music	For this unit, our theme is called ' round and round '. We are excited to be focusing on Latin music and how it is composed. We will be continuing to explore the dimensions of music through looking at tempo, rhythm and pitch. We want to continue to use musical instruments to improvise also!

Attendance

In order for your child to get the best out of school and maximise their learning, please make sure your child is **on time for school and comes to school every day**. School starts at **8.45am**.

Thank You!

Homework

Children will be sent home with their homework every Friday which will then be **due for the following Tuesday**.

Home readers are changed every **Monday**.

Thank You- Mrs Taylor & Mrs Hussain