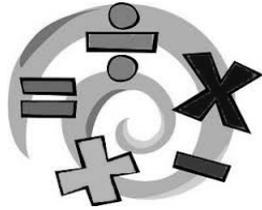


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## Year 1 Newsletter



**Welcome to the Autumn Term in Year 1.**  
**This term we will be learning all about:**

### **Maths**

We will be learning to read and write numbers up to 20. We will be learning how to do addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also be measuring and recognising 2D and 3D shapes.

### **English**

We will be studying poetry, fiction and non-fiction texts. Key aspects of this term will be sentence structure, punctuation and using simple connectives.

### **Computing**

We will learn how to operate programmable toys and we will also have an extra lesson from Creative Beat who will teach us basic skills when using an Ipad.

### **Science**

Our topics this term are parts of animals and changing seasons. We will be learning about the senses and different body parts of animals and humans. We will also be looking at the different seasons and how they affect us.

### **RE**

Our topic this term is celebrating. We will be looking at how people celebrate different events in many religions and how they make those celebrations special. We will chose appropriate gifts for each celebration, make our own promises and plan for a special event.

### **Cornerstones**

Our topics this term are Superheroes and Paws, Claws and Whiskers. We are looking forward to fun activities all about animals and heroes (we may need to fight crime in our superhero costumes).

### **Music**

We are very lucky to have an expert music teacher this year who will be teaching the children how to play the keyboard and various other instruments.

### **PE**

We will be spending most of our lessons outside this term as we are having more outside PE to learn ball skills and team games.

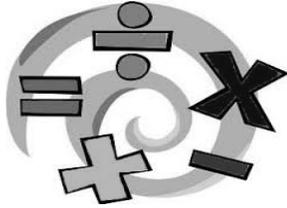
### **MFL**

We are looking forward to learning how to say hello and goodbye in French.



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### Important information for Year 1

**Members of Staff**– If we haven't already met, please feel free to come and introduce yourself. I am Miss Rudd the class teacher and working with us in Year 1 is Mrs Godfrey, also Mrs Daniel teaches the us on a Tuesday afternoon.

#### **Reading**

Please help your child to read their reading books at home. The children now know that they should put their reading books into the "Book Basket" once they have read the book and had their diary signed. The books should be read at a pace suitable for your child, it is nice to see that children spend time discussing the text rather than racing through the book! If you have any problems with reading books please write a note in the diary or see me at the end of the day. It is important that your child has their reading book in school EVERY day whether read on the previous night or not as we hear the children read their books in class regularly. The children are also able to read their book electronically with you at home using bug club.

#### **Spellings**

The children will soon be receiving differentiated spellings to learn at home. The spelling pattern will be taught in class prior to the spelling being sent home. The children will be tested on these spellings on a Wednesday and given replacement spellings by Friday.

#### **Speed test**

In a few weeks the children will be given speed tests to test them on the number facts that they should know in year 1. You will be notified on the number fact focus each week and the date of the final test.

#### **Homework**

Children will have received differentiated English and maths homework on our "I am learning" programme. This will be set every term and a completed date is set for the children to complete these tasks by. The children will also receive a homework worksheet for either maths or English. The children can do as much homework as they like.

#### **PE**

PE takes place on Mondays and Thursdays. The children should have a full PE kit in school. They should have hair tied back, should not wear any jewellery and earrings must be removed before they come to school. The children will need an outdoor P.E. Kit. This should include jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt.

#### **Water bottles and snacks**

The children are encouraged to bring their water bottles to school and drink plenty of water through the day. They are able to re-fill the bottles with fresh water at play times and dinner times. Please send in their bottles everyday. The children will bring their water bottle home each night to be washed. Water bottles should be filled with water only. The children may also bring a snack to eat at playtime.

