

Green and Blue Class

We hope you are enjoying hearing about all we have been doing in Year One. We will continue to be available at the classroom doors at the beginning and end of the school day if you need to speak to us or have any concerns. If you have queries at any point during the year please do not hesitate to contact us or make an appointment to meet Mrs Johnson (Green Class), Mrs Giddings (Blue Class).

Homework

Homework for Maths will continue to be set every Monday, including in the first and last full week of any half-term. It is to be returned by the following Monday. The homework will consist of differentiated tasks which enable the children to practise previously taught skills. If your child has any problems with any part of their homework, they have been told to come to discuss the task with us before Thursday.

Spellings

Spellings will be set each week either at the start of the week or when starting a new Read Write book. The children will not have a spelling test, but our aim is to see the children using the spellings that we set in their Read Write Inc. lessons with increased accuracy throughout the term.

Ways in which you can help your child:

- * Check homework books and support your child in completing their homework.
- * Regularly read with your child and discuss what they have read.
- * Practise counting forwards and backwards in different steps from any number.
- * Practise times tables facts and related division facts (particularly 2, 5 and 10)

PE

Children must have their correct PE kit in school at all times. To avoid unnecessary disruption to the curriculum please ensure that your child brings their PE kit to school on **Monday** and that it is taken home to be washed on **Friday**. Children will need **both indoor kit** (blue shorts and a white T shirt) **and outdoor kit** (warm jogging bottoms, a warm sweatshirt and sensible, supportive training shoes) at all times throughout the term as outdoor games will take place each week. Children will only be excused from PE on medical grounds if we receive a letter from the parent/carer. **Please note all earrings must be removed for PE lessons.**

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Monday 28 th October	Children return to school
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need Day
Thursday 12 th December	Year 1 Nativity Performance – 2pm to 3pm
Friday 13 th December	Year 1 Nativity Performance – 10am – 11am
Tuesday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch and festive fun afternoon
Wednesday 18 th December	Last day of Autumn term.
Monday 6 th January 2020	Children return to school

Science

This term our topic is 'Everyday Materials'. Children will learn about the materials used to make different objects and they will describe the properties of these. The children will think about the different materials used to build vehicles such as cars, fire engines and rockets.

PE

Gymnastics: children will be exploring a range of gymnastic movements on the floor and on the apparatus.

Games: the focus will be on developing a range of bat and ball skills in games and skipping.

RE

We will be learning about the story of Christmas and how Christians celebrate this important festival around the world.

DT

The children will be designing and making moving vehicles, fire engines and rockets. They will investigate the best ways in which to join materials together so that the vehicles can move.

Maths

This half term the children will be learning to:

- Understand place value by identifying 'tens' and 'ones' in two digit numbers;
- Add and subtract one and two digit numbers;
- Recognise and name common 2D and 3D shapes

Year One

Autumn 2

Wheels, wings and other things

PHSE

The children will learn about and be able to describe what a friend is and does, recognising the diversity in friendship and that friendship patterns change. They will address strategies for coping with difficult situations in friendships.

In addition the children will focus on family relationships, identifying who is in their own family, what is special about them and what they and other family members do to care for each other.

History

In our topic this half term we will learn about travel in the past as well as how we can travel now. The children will find out how travel has been linked to significant events in history and to places around the world.

English

The children will continue to participate in Daily Read Write Inc. sessions. As part of these sessions, the children will continue to bring home the reading book that they will be studying in their lessons in school. Each week the children will learn new phonemes and will be using these in their writing. In class we will share and do some writing based on stories linked to our topics of 'wheels, wings and other things', including Mr Gumpy's Motor car and Journey.

Computing

This half term the children will be exploring how to make pictograms and looking at technology outside school.

Food

This half term children will be making their own mince pies to continue the learning from their RE lessons.

Music

In the build up to the Nativity play the children will begin to explore, learn and perform a range of songs.