



## Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn 1 2019



14<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November

### Dates for your Diary and Notices:

**Half Term week:** beginning on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October (training day). Back to school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

**Next week is topic week:** Theme- Light and dark. If you have any interesting items to show to do with Light and dark, please bring them in. Thank you.

**Consultation evenings next week:** Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October. If you haven't made an appointment please see your child's class teacher. Thank you.

**Thursday- Non-uniform day:** please bring in items for your Christmas Hamper:

**Swan-** kids toys and games. **Rabbit-** gardening. **Hedgehog-** sports and games.

**Art:** We are doing a big project called earth Art please can you bring in any sticks, leaves and don't forget the pebbles!

**Interest table** - Please bring in any local area photos, objects for us to discuss our local area. Any items brought can be added to the interest table. Many thanks.

### Reminder

Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school- and ensure all items are named. Thank you.

Please hand in your homework on a Wednesday, so it can be marked and returned to you on a Friday. If you need any support helping your child complete their homework please speak to your class teacher. We are happy to help.

### How you can help your child at home:

*Below are some ways to support your child's learning, linked to what they are doing at school. These are just suggestions and are not "homework".*

#### **Literacy:**

We are teaching English in classes, producing writing based on a high quality text. We will be doing lots of activities based on this story across 2 weeks. We will introduce the story at school and discuss it. Our next story is the 'Little Red Riding Hood'. Please bring in any versions you have at home and read it with your child.

Each day we will have a short RWI phonics lesson in our reading groups.

Please encourage your child to learn their spellings. You can 'say, cover write and check'. Try to encourage your child to write them in a sentence, as this helps them to use them in their independent writing.

## **Maths:**

In Maths we will be learning our number bonds, to 10 and 20 (to and within the number). You can help your child by making number bond cards (write one number on front and one number on back- play a game. Can your child say the number on the other side before you turn it over?) After half term we will learn 2D and 3D shapes. You can help your child by finding 2D and 3D shapes around your home. Draw them and count how many sides or faces the shapes have.

## **History and Geography:**

After half term our subject focus is Out and About. We will begin by looking at aerial views and learn about maps and how they tell us the location of different places. You can help your child at home by looking on Google Earth to find your house or street. You can support your child in drawing a simple of their bedroom, or house or street.

In History we will look at how our local area has changed over time. We look at photos of our local area. We will be visiting Manor Farm and look at changes in your child's living memory. You can help your child by showing them photos of how your home or local area has changed.

Thank you for your support - Year 1 teachers

Mrs Whittingham Ms Preston Miss Merison Mrs Dickson

