



KS1 Newsletter - Autumn 2023

Our values this year are : Gratitude, Respect, Empathy, Acceptance and Teamwork

We begin by welcoming you all to Key Stage 1! We are looking forward to getting to know you all over the next few weeks.

The children are already settling in and getting used to the new routines. Well done to each and every one of them for their amazing efforts this week.

This term, we will be focusing on ensuring that there is a smooth transition from EYFS to Year 1 and from Year 1 to Year 2. This will involve lots of 'getting to know you' activities and games and opportunities for the children to play and work together and with the adults in their class. Thank you for your continued support at home with everything that we do at school. Please do look at your class page on the school website for more information.

Mathematics

In Autumn 1, Year 1 will be focusing on Place Value and confidently using numbers to 10.

Year 2 will also be working on Place Value.

In Autumn 2, the children will continue their place value learning and also work on Addition and Subtraction and finally Shape.

English

We start the term with 'The Tiger who came to Tea' by Judith Kerr. Following this, we will move on to Traditional Tales and in particular 'The Three Little Pigs'. We will also look at some alternative versions of the story.

We will then move on to songs and poems featuring repetition. Our non-fiction writing will be based around Paddington Bear's London. Finally, we will finish the term by enjoying 'The Jolly Christmas' poem by Janet and Allan Ahlberg.

Science and other subjects

In Autumn 1 we begin our History topic, where the children will learn about how schools and school life has changed over time. In Science, we will be finding out all about different pet animals and how to take care of them. In Autumn 2, we will have a Geography based topic which asks the question 'Where am I?' We will explore some of the wonders in the world, locate and name the oceans and find out more about our local area. In Science, we will be looking closely at Seasonal Changes.

We will also be busy with Computing, Art, Music, RE and PSHE this term, as well as PE.

KS1 timetable

Seahorse Class PE: Monday (Forest School) and Wednesday

Penguin Class PE: Thursday and Friday

Turtle Class PE: Monday and Friday

Reminders.

-Spelling test day: Tuesdays

-Reading Books are changed on Fridays.

-Please ensure your child brings a coat to school on a daily basis. We do go out to play in light rain showers!