



## Year 1 Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope your summer was full of rest and fun. The children have begun the term with the upmost maturity and we are so proud of how they have settled into Year 1.

### What Term 1 looks like...

Term 1 is full of exciting learning! We will be continuing to discover the oceans and continents of the world, learning about various materials in order to make a boat and learning all about the impact Rosa Parks had on the world. In English, we will begin with a focus on our writing and using phonics to spell, but we will be moving on to writing instructions. In Maths, we will be refreshing the children's brains on place value and will be ensuring they have concrete knowledge on number (0-10).

### RE

For our RE topic this term we are learning about God and how he loves and forgives his children. Our main focus will be the parable of the Lost Son.

We will spend the term discussing our big question:

**'What do Christians believe God is like?'**

This term's Christian value is:

**COMMUNITY**

### Home Learning:

Home learning will be uploaded onto Google Classroom. We want you to have fun with these tasks and have therefore composed more activities than you need. Pick the ones that appeal to your child the most with an aim of one task a week. You can either send your child in with their homework to show the teacher and classmates or, if you prefer, upload it onto google classroom.

### Reading

**Reading Reward Scheme:** As you may have noticed there are a number of bookmarks displayed on our classroom windows. Every Friday we will count the number of times children have read at home. When children read 5x or more they will receive a super sticker. Once the bookmark is full they will get a prize! We will aim to read with your child at least three times a week, including both group and 1:1 reading sessions.

We will be checking that your child's book has been changed once a week (Thursday) but the children have the option to change their reading books as soon as they have read them at home (please remind them on their way in).

### Communication

If you would like to contact your teacher, please email them or speak to them on the door.

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### Dates to put in your diary:

26/9 – Phonics/Early Reading Workshop (9am-10am or 6pm-7pm) for YrR,1,2 parents.

29/9 – Staff development day (no pupils to attend school)

10/10 - #Hello Yellow Day (mental health awareness) wear yellow to school, donation buckets will be on the playground.

11/10 – Year 1 WOW day – parents invited in to share sandwiches made by children – 2.30pm

13/10 – Individual Photos

18/10 – Harvest Festival – KS1 2pm – parents welcome

20/10 – Mid Term Holiday begins

### Reminders

- Year 1 PE day is Monday.
- Please drop your child off at the Year 1 wooden gate and **not** to the classroom door. Please also stand behind the fence when picking up your child. By all means, come to the classroom door if you need to speak to a member of staff.
- 'Busy Things' is a fantastic interactive learning website which will help support your child's learning at home.

Log in details: <https://www.busythings.co.uk/>

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