



Year 1 Term 5 Newsletter

Welcome back Year 1! We hope you all had a wonderful Easter, we cannot believe how fast this year is going!

This term's learning:

Music – Untuned Instruments

Computing – Digital writing

PE – Rackets, bats and balls (ball skills) and superhero dancing.

History – The moon landing

Geography – Hot and old places

DT – Portable snacks

Science – Living things and their habitats

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This term we will be beginning to look at the religion Judaism. Within this topic, we will be focusing on Jewish celebrations and meaningful objects. We will also be comparing celebrations and festivals in Judaism and Christianity. If there are any parents that are Jewish and would be willing to talk to the children about Judaism, it would be so appreciated!

Big Question:

Are your beliefs more important than those of others?

Our learning and how you can help

Home Learning:

You will find an increase in phonics activities for home learning this term. We completely understand that phonics is quite alien to many adults who were taught totally differently, please don't hesitate to ask any questions about the activities! When completing the home learning, if you discover your child struggles with a specific sound, let us know and we can provide extra activities and support.

Reading: Please read with your children as often as you can, it is so appreciated! The children have gained a love for reading and this is really showing through their progress. Please make sure you are asking them questions throughout to ensure they are gaining understanding and challenge.

Maths: This term is all about multiplication and division. Please support your child's learning by practising counting up in 2s, 5s and 10s at home.

English: We will be writing a fact file all about a frog. The children will be learning the difference between fact and fiction, the features and the layout of a fact file. As always, we will be focussing on sentence writing (full stops, capital letters, finger spaces, writing making sense) and using phonics to support spelling. Any support with this at home would be greatly appreciated.

This term's Christian value is: **Trust**

Dates to put in your diary:

30/4 – Dragonfly Class Worship – parents welcome (9.15am in the main hall)

2/5 – Year 1 school trip to Sevenoaks Wildlife Reserve

21/5 – Parent's workshop – SEND information Q&A

21/5 – Class Photographs

A reminder for next term...

11/6 – Bumblebee Class Worship – parents welcome (9.15am in the main hall)

Thank you to everyone that has been dropping the children off at the Year 1 gate. We are very proud of the children's independence and confidence!

A random ask...if you have any frogs spawn in your pond at home that you would happily see rehomed in the Year 1 classrooms, please let us know!

School trip - Friday 2nd May

Remember to send your child into school wearing their normal school jumper/cardigan but with jogging bottoms/leggings and trainers on the bottom half. Please also send your child in with a disposable packed lunch and a disposable drink, no fizzy drinks.
Thank you!

If there is anything within the children's learning topics that you **(as a parent)** are particularly knowledgeable about or could show the children objects linked to the topic, let your class teacher know. We would love you share your wisdom with the children!