



Year 1 Term 4 Newsletter



Welcome back to Term 4!

The children have come back refreshed and eager to learn and we've made a great start to the term! In English this term, we are reading 'The Great Kapok Tree', a beautiful narrative all about the Amazon Rainforest. By the end of this term, the children will have gained the skills to write a letter, explaining the importance of the rainforest and what humans can do to keep it safe. On the journey to writing the letter, the children will be learning all about the Amazon and the magnificent wonders it holds.

In Maths, we will now be moving on to using numbers between 0-50. We will begin by learning all about the place value of numbers up to 50 and will then move onto various skills e.g. 1 more/1less.

Parent/Carer helper plea!

We are fast approaching our trip to Penhurst Place on the 26th March. We cannot do trips like these without parent/carers support. If you are able to support us on our trip, please let your child's class teacher know. Please be aware that if you volunteer, you will not be grouped with your child but classes will all be together throughout the day.

In addition to this, our history topic this term is about toys, if you or any grandparents have any old toys and would be prepared to come in and talk to the children about them – we would love to see you!

Reading

Please read with your children as often as you can, it is so important to support the learning they are doing in school and they love showing off their new phonics skills! It is important that your child is able to answer questions about their books and show an understanding of the text.

What are we learning in our Foundation Subjects?

Science: Parts of plant

History: Toys from the past/present

Geography: The UK

DT: The wheel

Computing: Data

Art: Andy Goldsworthy

RE: Why does Easter matter to Christians?

PE: Gymnastics and Agility

Music: Andrew Lloyd Webber and Pop Vs Classical music

Dates to put in your diary:

2/3 – Book Week!

4/3 – Dragonflies Class worship

5/3 – World Book Day (Children dress up as a book character)

13/3 – Trust Development Day (No pupils to attend school)

W/B 16/3 – Parent Consultations – More information to follow. **N.B No afterschool clubs this week.**

1/4 – KS1 Easter Worship – 9.30am in hall (Parents welcome)

2/4 – Easter garden competition

2/4 – Easter cake sale

More details will follow about our Easter celebrations!

Happy Easter!



Home Learning: This term's home learning will be uploaded onto google classroom. Send your completed learning into class **OR** upload onto google classroom.

Phonic Support

We are now at the stage in Year 1 where the children are expected to independently use their phonics to support them in spelling and reading. If your child spells a word phonetically correct, please praise them, even if the word is spelt incorrectly e.g. **munkee** instead of **monkey**.

Please let your class teacher know if you would like any support with using phonics at home. We can also provide extra activities for your child to complete at home too.

Reminders

Please continue to make sure your child is being dropped at the **Year 1 gate** rather than their **classroom door**. This is to encourage independence, they have been doing so well with this.

Thank you for your support.

