

CLASS NEWS

Year One

Last term we really enjoyed:

- Our Autumn walk and recouting events and crafts we carried out.
- Adding, subtracting, counting forwards and backwards.
- Learning about different animals and where they live.

Here is a little insight into what exciting things your child will be learning this term.

English:

We are continuing to learn a variety of new sounds and their alternatives in phonics. We will look at stories, retelling them in our own words and writing them and our own versions too. We will also be writing recounts of exciting things we have done.

Maths:

- On going practice of number skills such as number bonds to 20, doubles, tens and units, recognising and ordering numbers.
- Mass – weighing a range of items using a balance, identifying the heaviest and lightest objects. We will also look at standard measure of kg.
- We will learn how counting in 2's, 5's and 10's helps us to count sets and relate this to multiplication.
- Recognising all the coins (the new ones don't have the numeral on them)
- Telling the time and ordering the days and months of the year.

Telling the time is something the children really benefit from at home as they can see it used in context, for example what time they have tea, go to bed and wake up.

History:

The children will explore what toys were like long ago and how other elements of childhood would have been different. We will answer a range of questions like:

- What toys would have been on Grandma's Christmas list?
- What sort of phone did Grandma and Grandad use?
- Who is better Justin Bieber or the Beatles?

Science:

We will be concentrating on our skills of scientific enquiry. We will predict, test and find out new things.

We will answer questions such as;

- Where do shadows come from?
- Why is the sun so important and does it stay in the same place?
- Which animals come out at night?
- How can we create our own shadow puppet theatre?

Homework:

The children will still be given homework from time to time on a Friday; I will also send a spelling rule to be practising. We are also going to be sending Maths games home for you to enjoy with your children and hopefully give an insight into the ways they are being taught. Some of the games are simple and others are more challenging. If you need help or would like it for an extra week or again later in the year please specify this in this Maths games booklet that will accompany the game. I have made these games so any feedback is welcomed, I want you and your child to enjoy them and find them worthwhile!

Important date to remember:

- Trip to Gulliver's World - 13th Dec 2018
- Dress rehearsal – 10th Dec 2018
- Evening performance – 11th Dec 2018
- Afternoon performance – 12th Dec 2018

A costume list for the production will be sent shortly, if you have a costume from previous years you are willing to share if others need it please let other know or inform me.

Again, thank you so much for all of your hard work at home, your support really does stand out to us and shines in the children's progress.