



## Year 1 Newsletter - Summer 1, 2024

We hope that you all had an egg-cellent Easter break and are egg-cited about coming back to school for another fun-filled half term!! Please see below for an overview of the learning in store over the next few weeks and some other key information ☺



**Literacy** → In Literacy the children will be learning to retell our story 'Pattan's Pumpkin!' using actions and story language. The children will engage in a number of 'immersion activities' e.g. writing questions for Pattan, making wanted posters and writing list sentences. We will then move onto reading 'Ten Things I Can Do to Help My World' where we will be writing our own instructions.

**Maths**→ The children will start the term by looking at multiplication and division. We will then move onto fractions with a focus on making a whole, halves and quarters. Finally, the children will investigate geometry where they will learn about position & direction.

**Science** → In Science we will be learning about different types of plants and also identifying the parts of plants. We will also do an enquiry on trees and the size of their leaves!

**History** → In History we will be learning about great explorers such as Captain Cook and Roald Amundsen. Children will learn what explorers did as well as all about their achievements!

**Art** → In Art the children will focus on 3D sculpture. As part of this topic the children will create a 3D picture using clay and everyday objects.

**RE**→ This half term the children will be learning all about places that are sacred to believers.

**Computing**→ We will be learning about coding. The children will learn how to input simple instructions and how to debug simple problems using programming.

**Online Safety** → As part of our online safety this half term we will be learning about passwords.

**RSHE** → We will be looking at friendships, what makes a good friend and if our friends should tell us what to do.

**Music** → In music our focus will be appraising music as the children listen to music from around the world.

**P4C** → In Philosophy for Children, we will continue to share our thoughts and ideas about 'big questions' and start to develop how we can become caring, collaborative, creative and critical thinkers.

**PE** → PE days remain the same as last half term. **Swans** do PE on Monday and Thursday. PE days for the **Butterflies** are Monday and Wednesday. On these days please ensure that long hair is tied back and earrings have been removed. Indoor PE will be circuit training and outdoor PE will be team games!

**Guided Reading** → All children will access two guided reading sessions a week this half term. These sessions will focus on decoding, prosody and comprehension.

**Reading** → Please remember that we would like the children to be reading 3 or more times a week at home. Children who read at home regularly make the best progress with their reading. Please don't feel like you have to read the whole book during each session, a page or two is great. Don't forget to record in your child's yellow book when they have read and keep us posted on how they have got on. We will still continue to listen to the children read whenever we can so it is useful if they have their reading book with them in school!

**Spellings** → Children will continue to bring home 5 spellings to practise each week. New spellings are given out on a Monday and the children are tested the following Monday. Practise of these little and often at home would also be much appreciated.

Many thanks for your continued support,  
The Year 1 team ☺

**Homework:** Tasks will be sent out at the beginning of term by email for you to choose as many as you want to complete with your children.

At the end of this half term we will be having a 'Homework Showcase' event, where the children are encouraged to bring examples of homework they have done to share with the rest of the class.

