

## Pentecost Term in Year 1



Please check out our school's twitter page @thegsaprimary to follow our Year 1 journey online!

### Letter Join



Please log in to practice your handwriting and spelling of key words

### Class Dojo



Children receive merits linked to our Mission Statement – make sure you ask them what school value they have been impressing us with. Please note that Dojo will only be used as a means to inform you when your child receives a Mission Merit. Teachers will not access messages via Dojo, so as always, if you need to contact them, please do so via the school office.

## What is happening this term?

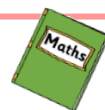
Welcome back to another exciting term in Year 1! We have welcomed Miss Sweeney back to school following her maternity leave and she is enjoying getting to know all the children in 1IB.



We have got lots of fun things planned, so please see below for some important dates:

- Ascension Mass – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2pm
- Join us for our History museum where the children will share all they have learnt with their grandparent – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2:15pm – 3pm
- Aspirations Day – 24<sup>th</sup> May
- Phonics Screening Check – W/C Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- Visit to Floral Dreams – W/C 10<sup>th</sup> June
- Rushcliffe Park – dates to follow
- Year 1 Sports Day – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – 9:15am

## Maths



**Number- Place value within 100-** counting to 100, counting forwards and

backwards within 100, partitioning numbers, comparing numbers, ordering numbers, one more, one less.

**Measurement, Time and Money-** recognising coins, recognising notes, counting in coins, before and after, dates, time to the hour, time to the half hour, writing time, comparing time.

## Topic

Science: **What do plants need to grow?**

Art: Still life drawing – hatching, stippling, blending

DT: Build (construction) – Bridges

Geography: **How does the weather change in Summer?** The four seasons

History: **What was life like for my grandparents?** My family history

PE: Team building, net and wall skills, athletics, striking and fielding

RE: Holydays and Holidays, Being Sorry, Neighbours

PSHE: Living in the Wider World, Health and Well-being: growing and changing (look out for a letter)

## English

Our class texts for this term are:

The Extraordinary Gardener, Bloom, Eddie's Garden and How to Make Things Grow, If All the World Were..., The Lighthouse keeper's Lunch, The Lighthouse Keeper's Picnic

Alongside these texts, children have access to a wide range of books in our reading area. We also share a variety of texts during story time and through our wider curriculum.

## Reading

Each **Thursday** your child will receive **three** reading books, one will be a reading for pleasure book chosen by your child. You will keep those books for **two weeks** and they will be changed fortnightly. We ask that you write in your child's homework diary every time they read with you. Please read with your child as often as possible, ideally 10 minutes each day. Children will read with an adult in school at least once a week.

It is important your child reads a broad range of texts so please continue to read different story books at home and support your local library. The school website also has a recommended reading list for Year 1 under the 'Children' tab. Please check it out!



## Phonics



**Phonics Golden Ticket** – for this term we ask the children to practise spelling each word as well as reading them.

In addition to the Phonics Golden Ticket, we will be sending home one phonics homework per week. Please look out for the phonics game in your child's reading folder and we hope all the family can play together!

## Phonics Screening Check

Please continue to go through the golden ticket with your child each day. We have also given you a set of flashcards for you to play phonics games with your child at home. During the screening check your child will read 40 words to their class teacher, made up of 20 real words and 20 pseudo words. This will be a familiar process for them as they have completed previous checks in class over the course of the year.

We are so proud of the progress the children have made so far this year and we are looking forward to a fun filled term ahead.

Thank you for all your continued support,

The Year 1 Team