

Lent Term in Year 1

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online!

Letter Join



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

Class Dojo



If you haven't done so already –
please sign up! 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 please
contact via the Office.

What is happening this term?

Happy New Year everyone! We hope you had a fantastic Christmas break. We are so excited to begin the Lent Term in Year 1, as the children continue to amaze us with their fantastic work and effort.

Please see below for some important dates:

- **Bring a toy to school** (Science) – w/c 3rd February.
- **Inset Days** – Friday 14th and Monday 24th February
- **Parents Evenings** - Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th March
(more details to follow)
- **Transport through time
workshop** -Tuesday 18th March,
more details to follow.



Maths

Number: Place value within 20

Addition and subtraction within 20

Place value within 50

Multiples of 2, 5 and 10

Measurement: Length and Height; Mass and Volume.

Please continue to support your child with their Maths homework each week.



Topic

Science: Winter; Everyday materials

Art: Primary colours, Secondary colours; Pointillism

DT: Free standing structures

Geography: **Where in the world do animals live?** Continents of the world and animals that live there.

History: **Who is the greatest inventor?** Great inventions (transport)

P.E: Dance; Invasion Skills; Gymnastics; Fitness (Wednesdays and Fridays)

R.E: Special People – What makes a person special? **Meals** – What makes some meals special?
Change – How and why do things change?

PSHE: Health and Wellbeing (growing and changing, the wider world, healthy lifestyles)

Computing: Online Safety (including Safer Internet Day); Creating media - Digital imagery

English

Our class texts for this term are: There's a Rang-Tan in my Bedroom, Lost and Found, Dear Earth..., Mrs Armitage on Wheels, The Five of Us and Bow-Tie Pasta- Poems Out Loud!

Alongside these texts, children have access to a wide range of books throughout our provision. We also share many other books during story time and through our wider curriculum.

Reading

Each **Monday** your child will receive **one** reading book. You will keep that book for one week and it will be changed the following Monday. These books match the sounds that your child has been focusing on in Phonics that week. Also, children have the opportunity to take home a 'reading for pleasure' book each week. The children choose these books themselves and they are changed on a **Monday** as well.

We ask that you write in your child's organiser 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.

Phonics



Each week your child will receive a 'Phonics Golden Ticket' which contains a list of phonetic words they have been learning that week. We ask that your child reads the list, alongside an adult, at home each day.

Segmenting (pull apart the individual sounds) - p/l/ay

Blending (push sounds together to build words) – play

Key phrase when reading with your child at home - Say the sounds and read the word.

Spellings – You will find our Word of the Week spelling(s) on the bottom of the Golden Ticket. Please practise writing this word at home with your child. There will not be a written test in school. If your child wishes to, they can also write this word in a sentence.

Behaviour Curriculum

The children in Year 1 have responded well to the recap that we have had on the behaviour curriculum this term. Please see Mrs Toner's most recent newsletter regarding uniform. One of our school mantras is 'dress to impress' and it is an expectation that children are dressed in the correct school uniform at all times.

Jubilee Year

As part of the Jubilee Year of Hope, Year 1 will be raising awareness and supporting 'The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association.' We will also be going on a pilgrimage to The Good Shepherd Church with a date to be confirmed. Please keep an eye out for further details.

Thank you for all your continued support,

The Year 1 Team