

How you can help your child at home this half term

Reading and Phonics: Reading a range of books with your child will help them to build up a wider vocabulary as well as helping them to practise their reading fluency.

It would be beneficial to read the decodable reading book with your child. Please help your child to practise reading common exception words. These are words which cannot be sounded out and need to be known by sight.

Writing: Children need to practise neat and cursive handwriting; clearly formed letters and letters that are evenly sized. If your child is struggling to write their name, daily practise of name writing is really helpful. Spending time to practise spelling common exception words is important.

Maths: Children need to be fluent and confident in the following:

- Number recognition of numbers to 20
- Number bonds to 10
- Counting and ordering numbers to 10 and then 20
- Number bonds to 20

General:

Children need to come to school wearing correct uniform - green jumper, white polo shirt and grey trousers or skirt with black shoes.

Wellies need to be in school and are part of school uniform for Forest schools.

Please encourage your child to develop independence by learning to take their jumpers off themselves, fasten laces and zip up their own coats. Being able to use a knife and fork properly is also a really important and useful skill to have.



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Curriculum Map

Class	1
Term	Spring 1

Important Days

PE	Tuesday and Friday
Outdoor Learning	Friday
Homework set	Children will continue to bring home a lovely decodable reading book. This is where they can apply their phonic knowledge that they have been learning in class. Alongside this children will be given flashcards and common exception words. A book to share will also be going home to promote reading for pleasure. Book bags are collected on Thursday so that reading and sharing books can be sent home on Friday. Books need to be returned the following Thursday. For any books that are missing or damaged, there will be a fee.

English

In English this half term we are learning how to write a persuasive leaflet for a new polar adventure attraction.

We will be having lots of practise writing super sentences with capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

Science

Our science topic this half term is called Seasonal Changes.

We will explore the seasons, seasonal changes and typical seasonal weather and events. We learn about measuring the weather and the role of a meteorologist. Children begin to learn about the science of day and night and recognise that the seasons have varying day lengths in the UK.

Maths

In maths this half term we are spending lots of time practising number knowledge and counting to 20.

We will be looking at addition and subtraction with numbers to 20 then we will move onto place value of numbers up to 50.

We have introduced maths passports for the children in Year 1 and will be achieving as many targets as we can.

Reading and Phonics

This half term we are learning these new phonemes:

i as in child, i-e as in time, ie as in pie, y as in spy, o as in cold, oe as in toe, ow as in snow, o-e as in home, ey as in key, y as in happy

As well as these common exception words

Some, one, said, come, have, there, like, little, do, so, were, when, out, what

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Welcome back and happy New Year! It is lovely to see the children again. We are looking forward to doing lots of fantastic learning in this half term.

Outdoor Learning

In outdoor learning we are using the Nature Passport which gives us lots of skills for working in the outdoors, such as rope work and knowledge of plants and nature.

P.S.H.E

PSHE takes lots of different forms. Our main PSHE lessons this half term will focus on Dreams and Goals.

P.E

In PE this half term our units are striking and fielding, and dance.

RE

In RE this half term we are answering the enquiry question "what does it mean to belong to a church or mosque?"

Topic

This half term our topic is 'Bright Lights, Big City'. This project teaches children about the physical and human characteristics of the United Kingdom, including a detailed exploration of the characteristics and features of the capital city, London.