

YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER



Welcome to Year One!

A very warm welcome back to school, I hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing summer. It's wonderful to see all the children and how much they have grown over the holiday. I'm delighted to be teaching Year One and I'm really looking forward to supporting the class through the challenges and joys of the year.

English

This term we will be looking at fiction, non-fiction and poetry; reading a range of books and texts that link in with the children's interests as well as cross-curricular links with science and topic. The grammar focus will be to form upper and lower case letters, leave finger spaces between words and to use capital letters at the start of sentences and for the names of people, places and the days of the week. Children will also have daily handwriting, supported reading and phonics sessions.

Maths

In maths we will be counting, reading and writing numbers up to 100. Children will solve addition and subtraction problems using their knowledge of number order (counting on and counting back) and number bonds. We will be doubling and halving and counting in 2's. This term we will also be looking at measure (telling the time to the hour) and shape (recognising and naming 2D and 3D shapes).

RE

We will be following the Come and See scheme of work for RE. This term our topics will be the Domestic Church (family), Baptism and Advent. The other religion we will be learning about this term is Judaism. Our Christmas Nativity this year will be with Year Two, on Friday 14th December at 2:15pm. Everyone is welcome! It's sure to be a wonderful way to see in the festive season. More details nearer the time.

Science

We will begin with the topic 'Animals, including humans'. Children will label different body parts and learn about our senses through lots of practical activities and exploration. We will compare the human body to other animals and learn about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. The next topic we will move onto will be 'Seasonal Changes'. We will be observing the changes that occur over the seasons and describing different weather patterns.

Topic (History and Geography)

In History this term we will be covering the topic 'Why Do We Celebrate the 5th November?'. We will be learning all about Bonfire Night and the Gunpowder plot, as well as creating some colourful artwork and poems. In Geography our topic is 'Where do different animals live?'. This unit gives a geographical context to children's interests in, and prior knowledge of, animals through a study of five continents.

Monday

PE - please ensure children's PE kit is fully labelled with their name.

Reading Books will be changed. Please take the time to read with your child at home and sign their yellow reading record.

Wednesday

Reading book will be changed.
Home learning due in.

Thursday

Music with Miss Dyer

Friday

Weekly spelling test - words will be linked to phonics.
New home learning and spellings given out.

London Symphony Orchestra!

Year One will be taking part in a music project in collaboration with the LSO, culminating in a performance at the Barbican on Monday 8th October. More details to follow.