

# Year 1 Weekly News

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019



## Next week in Year 1...

### Maths:

We will continue to practise reading number names and matching them to numerals.  
We will be moving on to learning about addition.

### English:

We will be finishing our Great Fire of London writing and will begin thinking of our own stories - 'helicopter stories'. The children used this way of recording their ideas when they were in Reception and will continue to use this throughout the year.

### Home Learning

Firstly, thank you for all of the effort you and your child went to over half term, to collect lots of interesting 'Autumn' things! After lots of conversation about seasons and the things we have found, we have used the items to make pictures.

This week's home learning: Continue to read daily, filling in the reading record to let us know how your child is getting on. Please also use the phonics pack and record two phonics sounds in the book that your child is finding challenging at home.

Please remember to return your child's Home Learning Book every Tuesday. I need to issue the children's home learning on a Wednesday and therefore, only have Tuesday night to mark their previous work and stick their new home learning in their books, before talking them through it on Wednesday and handing it out.

Children can leave the Home Learning Folder at home with the Phonics pack inside, but the Home Learning Book needs to be brought in to school every Tuesday.

### Reading

It has been noted that some of the children have previously had some of the books that they have taken home so far this term, or that they are finding them easy.

Prior to the book going home with your child, they have read them with the teacher and been 'told/given' some/many of the words that are in the book, as well as lots of rich conversation, and therefore by the time they go home, should have a good understanding of what they are reading. In some cases, children have completely memorised the book - this is ok! 😊

We aim to make children comfortable with their reading experience at home and therefore, children need to be comfortable with the book they are taking home. If you think your child is finding it too easy, please remember that they have already had the bulk of the 'learning' around the book and the idea of reading at home is repeating what they have read (as this is very beneficial) and building a love of reading. If your child is finding a book too challenging, they may begin to dislike reading - which is something we do not want.

Please continue to read with your child for five minutes daily. Predicting what will happen, talking about the characters and where possible, relating subjects to their life and experiences is very beneficial to your child's comprehension skills.

Please then fill in the reading record to let us know how they are getting on. This is checked on a Monday and Friday. If you have any specific questions about your child's reading, please try and catch me at home time, as we only check their reading records on Monday and Friday.

Please come and see me if you have any questions at all regarding any of the homework. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### Show and Tell has finished

We will be reintroducing the children's story telling using 'helicopter stories' from next week and due to this, the children will have plenty of opportunities to share their ideas with their friends on a 'stage'.

This means that today was the last opportunity for 'Show and Tell'.

If there is a time that we are doing something like this again, you will be informed with plenty of notice. The children may seem a little disappointed initially; however, when they become aware that we now have the opportunity to act out their own stories, I'm sure they will be excited! 😊

### PE

Please ensure your child is in the correct PE kit and trainers for PE. If there is a problem for this, please come and tell me and we may be able to help.

### Spare Clothes...

**If you have any spare knickers, pants, socks, trousers and tights at home that are no longer needed, Year One are collecting these for our 'Spares' box. Many thanks 😊**

### Parent Consultations

Thank you to all that attended the first session of the consultations this week. It was an absolute pleasure to have the time to talk to you in a bit more detail about what we have been up to and how your child has settled.

The evening session of parent consultations is being held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Please bring back the form to let me know that you can attend.

### Junk modelling

Thank you for all your contributions. We now have plenty for the foreseeable future!

### Other news...

- **Children in Need - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.** Children are invited wear 'dress down' clothes with Pudsey accessories (if they have them). There is a donation of £1 for this.
- **Movie Night - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.** Please sign up using the sign in sheet near the children's pegs. The children can choose one of the three films. On the day, teachers will take your child to the area that is showing the film within St Luke's at 3.00 and you would collect your child at 4.30pm. Please ensure that you pay the £2.50 at the time of signing up.
- **Christmas celebrations** - I would like to inform you of one particular date for Christmas in case you would like to attend with your child and need to book time off work. On **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** from approximately 4-5pm, the children and parents of Nursery, Reception and Year 1 are invited to come along for some songs around the tree in Howard Davis Park, followed by a special Chrstingle Church Service. All details need to be confirmed and official confirmation will follow.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please pop in before/after school or email me:

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Many thanks

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**Article 28** You have the right to a good quality education.

**Article 29** Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.

