

Key Stage 1 Summer Newsletter 2019

We have lots planned for this term. Have a look at what is to come!

PE

Indoor PE is on **Monday for Y2** and **Tuesday for Y1**.

Outdoor PE is on a **Thursday** for all Key Stage 1 children.

Children will need both an **indoor (black/navy shorts, white t-shirt)** and an **outdoor kit (jogging bottoms, trainers, hoodie/jumper)** in school **at all times**, with names on everything. This is for Health and Safety purposes and intended to keep your child safe and warm. We can occasionally supply spares but this is not ideal for the children.

Working as a Team:

Children in Year 2 are currently taking part in their SATs. Because of the arrangements we have made to enable all children to achieve their best, children may be taught by people other than their class teacher at various times throughout the week. This is something they are all familiar with due to the collaborative nature of KS1 working.

Miss Routledge is a new member of the KS1 team for this term, who is joining us as a trainee. Mrs Drayton also joined the team just before Easter and is working as a TA.

Planned events:

We will be having an end of year trip next half term. Further details and dates will follow.

Reminders

Some children have **sound books** to support them ready for their phonics screen in June. Also, some children will be receiving a support pack with flashcards and alien words to allow parents/carers to help at home in preparation for the screening.

These can be looked at for **5 minutes each night** for quick sound recognition.

Homework and learning logs are compulsory and aimed to support you to help the children to make progress. It is targeted to areas of the curriculum which need to be achieved at the end of KS1 by your child.

This is particularly important this term as we look towards SATs, Y1 phonics screen and final assessments.

Independence

KS1 children are growing up fast and we would like to continue to encourage them to develop their independence. You can help them at home by developing skills such as: **cutting up their food** for themselves at meal times, **getting dressed and undressed quickly, putting on and fastening up their own coat** etc.

Spellings:

Spellings are sent home in the red books. **Please make sure they come back into school daily after practicing at home.**

Reading:

Practice really does make perfect - please continue to read for 15 minutes a day and record in their reading records.

Subject Information

English - New learning and consolidation of spelling, grammar, punctuation and reading, linked to a range of quality texts, wherever possible, including Claude in the City and A Day in the Life of Bob.

Maths - The children are covering a range of Maths topics. These will be shared with you for their weekly homework.

Science - The children will be learning more about plants (parts and their uses, observing and measuring growth), animals including humans (classification, growth and change) and how the seasons change and affect the environment as we move into Summer. We will also be covering the Sex and Relationships Education aspects of the curriculum this term. Further information will follow closer to the time.

Topic - We are learning more historical enquiry skills this term, with a focus on explorers, including Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus.