

Year 1 Autumn Term 2 Curriculum Letter

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term! We would like to let you know what your child will be studying this half term and how you could support them. Below you will find some key information about Year 1 and the learning for the areas of the curriculum.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your support

Miss Bantock, Miss Morris and Miss Henderson
The Year 1 team

Important days

P.E

- Tuesday and Thursday

Homework

- Homework allocated on Google Classroom on a **Monday** and returned by **Monday** morning. **Please note the change of day.**
- Daily reading on Bug Club

Things to bring into school daily



- Water bottle
- Coat
- Pencil case including a pencil, glue stick, scissors and some colouring pencils.

Curriculum Information

Writing



Last half term, the children responded brilliantly to our book and produced some wonderful pieces of writing. We hope you enjoyed looking at the learning they brought home.

This half term we shall be reading and responding to **'Halibut Jackson'** and **'Poems to perform'**. Our focus will be using capital letters, using the conjunction 'and' and making our writing interesting with adjectives. As always we ask you do not read ahead, to engage and excite the children we often keep pictures, stories and plots hidden and slowly reveal the information.

Reading



We will continue to carry out assessments to ensure that your child is reading a book of a suitable level. Your child will read weekly in a group to work on fluency of reading, understanding of a range of texts and genres. They will have the opportunity to discuss and answer a variety of inference questions. We ask for your support in ensuring your children read aloud to a parent/carer **every night** using Bug Club, as this will greatly assist their reading and comprehension skills. This can be recorded on the e-reading record.

Spelling



This term, we will focus on different ways to spell the following sounds;
Ae – ai, ea, ay, a_e (e.g. rain, great, play and gate)
Ee - Ee, ea, e, y (e.g. free, meat, me and happyy)
E – ea (e.g. bread)

We will also recap the sounds we have learnt last term including ch, tch, sh, th, ng, q u
You can support your child by looking for words with these sounds when they are reading.

Maths

This half term, Year 1 will be looking at place value to 20, addition and

	<p>subtraction to 20 and 2D/3D shapes. It would be useful if you ensure that your child is able to count forwards and backwards to 20 as this will support them in completing our addition and subtraction work. Please also continue to practise numbers bonds to 10 and move onto number bonds to 20 when your child is confident.</p>
<p>Science:</p> 	<p><u>Animals in the UK</u> The children will be learning about different animals from the UK and sorting them by their characteristics. We will learn the scientific names for these groups – mammals, fish, amphibians, reptiles and birds. We will also explore what animals eat and learn the scientific names for these groups– carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.</p>
<p>RE</p> 	<p>This half term we will be learning about the Church and why it is special to Christians. We will have a socially distanced visit from a pastor! We will also find out about two religious celebrations – Diwali and Christmas. We will find out about why Christians celebrate Christmas and compare this to our own experiences of Christmas.</p>
<p>Geography</p> 	<p>We will be learning the four countries within the UK and their cultures. We will develop our map skills by finding these countries on maps and we will understand and compare their cultures.</p>
<p>PE</p> 	<p>We will continue to have a weekly PE lesson with the PE coaches from Hinchley Wood Secondary School as well as an additional one with our class teacher.</p>
<p>Computing</p> 	<p>In computing, we will be finding out about the technology around us - for example in supermarkets, libraries and our homes.</p>
<p>Music</p> 	<p><u>Hands, feet, heart</u> We will be exploring rhythm and beat through a new song! We will also have the opportunity to explore some musical instruments.</p>
<p>PSHE</p> 	<p>In PSHE we start our Jigsaw topic of ‘celebrating differences’. The children will be learning about the similarities and differences of themselves and their friends. We will also look at how to be a good friend and what to do if someone is being unkind.</p>
<p>Art & Design</p> 	<p>This term we will be making our own playdough! We will mix the ingredients and then cut it into 2D/3D shapes.</p>
	<p>We will be continuing our Mind Up lessons including the brain breaks three times a day to aid focus, reduce stress and help children to manage their emotions</p>