

Class 1 information:

Term: Lent Term

Happy New Year to you all! I hope that you all enjoyed a relaxing Christmas break with your families.

Can we ask that children promptly arrive at 8:45am each morning as we start the day with a warm up activity such as a maths recap, handwriting or spelling practice. Please aim for 8:40am when the school gate opens as many children are missing minutes of vital learning.

Class 1 have PE on <u>Friday</u>, on these days children need to come into school already in their school PE kits. We will continue to hold forest school sessions every other Thursday. The dates for spring are Thursday 18th January (in school), Thursday 1st February and Thursday 15th February, please send your child in suitable winter clothing and footwear on these days. I We will need parent helpers to assist with the walk to and from Pot Kiln Woods. If you are able to help on any of these days please let me know.

It has been great to see how well the children have taken to reading regularly in Class 1 - we hope they keep it up this term too.

Homework:

Children in **Reception** will receive a new sound to practise in their books as and when the sounds are taught, I will post video links on our twitter, please practise these at home as it really does help to embed them.

Children in **Year One** will receive a small maths task and a writing task every Friday; children have a week to complete this work. Please ensure that the homework book is returned every Friday so that it can be marked and new homework set. Spellings will also be tested and reset each Friday. **Reading it** is so important that children read regularly at home - this can be their school reading books, library books, magazines or home reading books. Please record reading in your child's diary and thank you for your support with reading at home.

| Curriculum areas | |
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| RE | In RE we will be completing the topic celebrations and we will be looking at how the parish community celebrate. Children will learn that the local church gives thanks for God's blessings in its liturgical celebrations and in the way it lives its parish life. Christians belong to the local church community - the parish, which celebrates in a variety of ways. They celebrate tradition and story and find their meaning in Jesus. Scripture: Matthew 18:20 Where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them. |
| Literacy | In Literacy we will be continuing our phonics work through the Read Write Inc. Scheme. Children will continue to learn up to three new sounds a week and build reading skills. There will be a range of exciting reading and writing activities set up every day for the children to explore. In our Whole class reading lessons we will focus on the books Penguin and Pinecone, The Magic Paintbrush, and Mr Wolf's pancakes. As always, we will enjoy a wide selection of texts to support all areas of learning. |
| Numeracy | In Numeracy Year one will be developing our understanding of place value within 50. Children will progress on to addition and subtraction within 50. Children will also continue to complete the 99 club, a scheme designed to build confidence with times tables. Children have been learning their 2 times table and will continue to practise 2's, 5's and 10's. Children in reception will continue to build on their knowledge of place value within 10 with a focus on composition of numbers within 5. We will explore a range of nursery rhymes, books and practical activities to support their understanding. |



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| Topic | Our topic this term is: China we will focus on geography for this topic as well as culture and traditions. We will learn about the seven continents and how to locate them, to locate China on the world map and make comparisons between the United Kingdom and China. We will learn about the Lunar New Year and how it is celebrated in China. We will also be visiting Wing Wah Chinese restaurant to watch a traditional lion dance and enjoy a selection of Chinese food to support this topic. |
| Science | Our Science topic this term is: Seasons and Weather We will learn about the four seasons, tools to record the weather, how to use a graph to show information about the weather, clouds and what they tell us and Weather forecasting. We will also make our own rain gauge to collect real information. |
| How you can help at home: Please encourage your child to read daily as this will aid their reading progression and consolidate their enjoyment of reading. Children should be reading their books at school and home. Please also encourage your child to use white rose 1 minute maths and hit the button to help them practise their number bonds. I will post on twitter regularly so that you are kept up to date with | |

your child's learning and school events.

If you have any queries regarding this term's curriculum coverage, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see Mrs Dann

Please follow class 1 on twitter. I post updates, pictures, links to phonics films and general information for parents. Scan the QR code on your smart phone for a direct link.



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