



Class 1 information:

Happy New Year to you all!

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.

Class 1 have **PE on Monday and Friday**, on these days children need to come into school already in their school PE kits. Please check our school uniform policy for correct PE kit.

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:

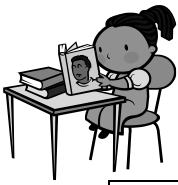
Children in **Reception** will receive a new sound to practice in their books as and when the sounds are taught, please practice these at home as it really does help to embed them.



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.

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 homework diary; thank you for your support with reading at home.

Curriculum areas

<p>RE</p> 	<p>In RE we will be completing the topics <i>Celebrations and Gathering</i>. 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. We will be learning about the special ways the church family gather together to celebrate Mass, Holy days and Sacraments. We will be focusing on marriage, Holy Communion and revisiting Baptism. We will explore these topics through Scripture, bible stories, role play, videos and books.</p>
<p>Literacy</p> 	<p>In Literacy we start the year with a unit of book-based literacy. We will be reading <i>Oliver's vegetables</i> and completing activities using our DERIC skills as well as using our writing skills to retell the story. 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. Our whole class read for this half term will be <i>Six Dinner Sid</i>.</p>
<p>Numeracy</p> 	<p>In Numeracy Year one we 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 a froggy maths challenge weekly alongside the 99 club, a scheme designed to build confidence with times tables. Children have been learning their 2 times table and will continue to practice 2's, 5's and 10's.</p> <p>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.</p>



<p>Topic</p> 	<p>Our topic this term is: Food Glorious Food we will focus on geography for the first part of the topic and then concentrate on food technology. The key questions for the topic are: What are the four countries of the United Kingdom? What are the seven continents? Where does our food come from? How far has my food travelled? Can all food grow anywhere? How do you get to the shops? We will then focus on Design and Technology where we aim to make bread and design our own sandwiches.</p>
<p>Science</p> 	<p>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 be making our own rain gauge to collect real information.</p>
<p>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' game to help them practise their number bonds. Please add to your child's tapestry page regularly as this enables us to celebrate achievements outside of school and get to know your child well. In turn, I will post on twitter regularly so that you are kept up to date with your child's learning and school events.</p>	

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