

Year 1 Autumn Term Newsletter

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Welcome to Year 1 and we hope you have all had a lovely Summer! We are looking forward to another exciting year ahead. Our planned topics this term are 'Our Wonderful World' and 'Castles and Knights' PE will be on a Monday each week.

English

We will be sharing the books:

Little Cloud
My Friend the Weather Monster
Lighthouse Keepers' Lunch
Ivy and the Lonely Raincloud
Leaf Man

Inside the Castle
The Knight Who Was Scared of the Dark
Knights and Dragons
The Very Last Castle

These books will support the children in completing activities to practise writing in full sentences and begin using adjectives to describe. We will continue retelling stories, using our phonics knowledge for spelling and learning new vocabulary to develop our writing.

Maths

We will be developing our knowledge of place value, addition and subtraction within 10, and shapes.

Science

We will be learning about the weather and seasonable changes that happen in Autumn.

We will be learning about materials and their features.

Phonics

We will be continuing learning through Little Wandle.

Consolidating our Phase 3 sounds.

Reading longer words.

Learning new Tricky Words

Introducing more Phase 5 words and the introduction of Pseudo (alien) words.

Reading

The children will continue to bring a reading scheme book and shared book of their choice home.

History

We will be learning about castles and the different castles we have in the UK.

We will be looking at features of castles, and learning how and why castles were used in the past.

DT

We will be learning about free-standing structures and creating a castle for a King or Queen to live in.

The children will explore different materials to discover which materials are the most suitable for their designs.

Art

The children will be exploring portraits and self portraits through a variety of artists.

We will be exploring different techniques, colours and mediums to create portraits.

Music

We will explore a variety of instruments to create music, and begin developing our musical knowledge of rhythm, tempo and pitch.

PE

We will be practising throwing, catching, rolling and receiving.

We will also have cycling.

We will learn skills to play netball and basketball, as well as exploring dance, and practising movements such as jumps and turns.

RE

The children will be learning about different religions in the world, and how they show they belong within their religious community.

Computing

We will learn to use Chromebooks and how to use the internet safely.

We will use technology, programmes and typing skills to create digital art.

PSHE

We will be learning about families, relationships and how we can be a good friend.

We will create rules to make our learning environment a safe and positive place.

Mrs Everest, Mrs Spokes
and Miss Hoskins