

# Year One Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the start of a brand new school year, I am very much looking forward to working with the children in Year One this year. There are lots of exciting lessons and activities planned to engage your child and allow them to progress even further!

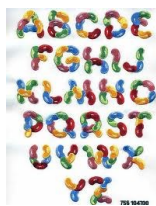
## R.E

In RE this term we will be talking about Christianity and what Christians believe God is like. We will start off by discussing what we think God is. We will also be making links from parables to school life and home life to help deepen their understanding.



## English

This term we will be focussing on fiction texts. The children's first text is entitled 'Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge' and this links well with our Childhood topic. The children will continue with their daily phonics sessions and they will also begin to have guided reading sessions to support them to become independent readers and prepare them for their phonics test in the Summer Term.



## Maths

During our maths lessons this term the children will be learning to read, write and count numbers to 10. They will learn to recognise numbers as words and count on from any number. They will also be using the part-whole model to help them with their addition and subtraction problems. As well as this they will learn to recognise, name and sort a variety of 2D and 3D shapes.



## P.E

We will continue to have PE on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the Autumn term. Please make sure that your child comes to school in their navy blue PE kit with a white top and appropriate footwear on these days.



## Topic

Our topic for this term is Childhood. This topic has a history focus and the children will spend time developing their vocabulary of time, including before, a long time ago, yesterday, many years ago and present. The children will be introduced to the concepts of artefacts and begin to compare artefacts from the past to the objects that they use today. They will also explore how people grow and change over time and significant events like the Coronation. This topic has some lovely art and design, science, geography and design and technology links that the children will really enjoy.



## Homework

The children will have one reading book sent home every week. These must be returned to school every Friday to be checked and their reading record must be signed by an adult. Reading books will then be changed and the children will bring home a new reading book for that week. We expect children to be reading at home a minimum of 3 times per week. Children will also have a new reading spine book every two weeks. In addition to reading, your child will have weekly spellings set on Spelling Shed every Friday and these will then be tested in school. Very shortly your child will also be given a NumBots account to help them practice their recall of key mathematical facts.



## Reminders

Can I please remind you that all items of the children's belongings, including uniform, bottles and snack bags, must be labelled. Many of the children have the same items and this will avoid items going missing.

Also, please be reminded that your child must come to school in black school shoes, not trainers. Thank you.

If you have any problems or concerns and wish to speak to me, please contact the office and I can arrange a phone call. Thank you for all of your support.

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