

# Term 1 Half Term 1

## September 2021

### Year 1 Newsletter

#### Welcome back to school!

Welcome to Year 1! It's lovely to welcome the children back into school and hearing all about what they have been up to during the summer holidays. Each half term we will write you a newsletter so that you can find out what we will be learning and if there are any ways you can help your child and us!

The staff in Year 1 are:

Class Teachers: Miss Whitehurst, Mr Neilson, Miss Myers and Mrs Sumner.

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Andrew, Mrs Park and Mrs Jones.

#### This half term our topic is 'Enchanted Woodland'!



The children will be learning about woodland animals and different kinds of trees and flowers. The main focus of our topic is science, however we will also be exploring the school grounds and listening closely to instructions in PE.

**LITERACY** - this half term we will be concentrating on the use of applying phonics sounds when writing sentences and practising the use of capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will be reading a range of stories including 'The Gruffalo'.

**MATHS** - our focus this half term is the value of a number beyond 10, number order, counting and one less. Please keep practising counting and number recognition to 100 with your child.

**SPELLINGS** - we will be continuing to develop our spelling using phonics within school throughout the day. In your child's homework book there will be different spellings to practise each week. Please encourage your child to practise writing these in their homework books. We will also send home some fun ideas for you to do with them at home.

#### All about our classes:

**PE**— We do P.E every **Monday and Friday**. Please could you provide your child with an indoor PE kit (**BLACK SHORTS WHITE T-SHIRT and BLACK PUMPS— no laces please**) which is **labelled and in a named bag**. Earrings should be removed at home before a P.E lesson.

**READING**- Once we have identified the areas for development for the children's reading, we will be sending home a reading record and book from our school reading scheme.

**HOMEWORK**—The children will receive a homework grid where they can choose which activity they would like to complete that week. Please could it be returned to school each **Tuesday**. Please see the homework sheet for more information and details.



**WATER BOTTLES** – Please ensure your child has a refillable, clear, sports-cap water bottle in school every day. This needs to be filled with **water only** at home each morning.



**SNACK**- The children will be provided with fruit for break time so therefore you do not need to send in their own snack.

#### **TWITTER-**

Miss Whitehurst-**@MissWhitehurstA**

Mr Neilson- **@MrNeilsonAPS**

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Thank you for your support. Miss Whitehurst, Mr Neilson, Miss Myers and Mrs Sumner.