Year 1 Newsletter



Toys

Autumn Term 1 Year

Topic

The Year 1 topic for this half term is Toys. Children will explore the history of toys and will identify similarities and differences between toys from the present and the past. Year 1 will go on an exciting trip to Kirkleatham museum to see and plays with some toys from the past.

In art, children will learn about the artist Picasso and will recreate some of his amazing portraits using a wide range of mediums.

In R.E, year 1 will learn about the Harvest festival and why Christians celebrate this.

Reading

Reading is the most important skill a child can master. In Year 1, children read every day in phonics. The books read in phonics are available for your child to read on the Oxford Owl site using their logins. Children will bring home a selection of phonetically decodable books to read to their adult. We recommend reading books twice to increase reading speed and fluency.

We also encourage reading for pleasure and every Friday year 1 will read with their year 5 reading partner. Every week year 1 visit the local library in Marske to select a book to share with their adult.



Science

In Science, our focus this half term is the human body. Children will learn to name and label the different part of the body and will begin to identify the 5 senses and their use.



Home Learning



In year Y1, children will be provided with weekly homework; phonics and maths. The phonics homework links closely to sounds taught in lessons and they should practise these repeatedly. Homework will go out on a Friday and must be returned on the following Wednesday. We ask that you support your children where possible and ask for support should you require it. As a school, we provide the children with access to a range of exciting on-line learning environments such as Number Bots, Purple Mash and Oxford Owl reading. Links can be found on the school website.

Maths

In Maths this half term, the children will focus on place value, addition and subtraction. The children will be ordering and comparing numbers using the inequalities signs and will count forwards and backwards to and from 20. Year 1 will begin to learn their number bonds to 10 and will add and subtract 1-digit numbers using hands on apparatus such as cubes and counters.

English

In English, we will be retelling a variety of different stories such as 'The Naughty Bus' and 'Lost in the toy museum'. We will create our own versions of the stories and create our very own story books. Children will focus on saying their sentence out loud before writing. Children will also learn to identify and name common and proper nouns.

Computing

This half term in computing children will learn how to independently log onto the computer and onto Purple Mash. They will learn about being safe online and to ensure they protect their passwords. Year 1 will begin to improve computing skills such as mouse control by exploring different 2Paint games on Purple Mash.

P.E.

Year 1 pupils will be improving their game skills such as team-work, turn taking and being safe during a game. P.E is on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Children must come into school in the correct P.E uniform.