

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 1 Term 2 2020

Welcome to Year One! We hope you and your children are having a positive experience of Year One so far. Make sure you log onto Dojo each week to check for updates and to see the amazing learning that the children have been doing so far! We also hope that you enjoyed our class assembly.

Readers and Writers



This term, we are reading *Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson. We will focus on using the book to explore language and we will be writing predictions,

labels and Scientific sentences. Our end of unit outcome will be a Scientific investigation based on an experiment we carried out for *Stick Man*.

We have also been retelling the story through our song, and using our *Stick Men* people which we made to act out parts of the story.

Mathematicians



In this term we will be consolidating our knowledge of addition and subtraction.

We have been using objects to help us count 2 groups together. We have also used number lines and Numicon to help us. We have been progressing onto solving word problems and even creating some of our own!

Scientists

In Science, the children have been learning all about materials. We conducted a Science experiment to see which the best material would be to make a tent for Stick Man. We had to drop water onto the various materials to see which was waterproof. We have also been looking at the different properties of materials and identifying which we can see in our environment.



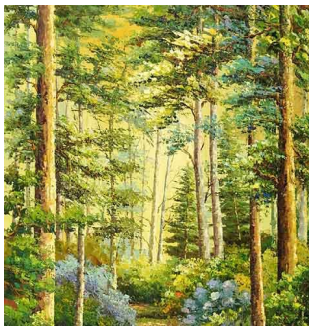
PE

In PE this term the children have been learning Netball skills. We have been practising our throwing and catching, learning how to position our bodies and get our hands ready for the ball. We have been working on our gross motor skills and how to dodge around each other whilst having enough space.



Due to Covid 19, the children do not need to wear their PE kit on Tuesdays.

Forest School



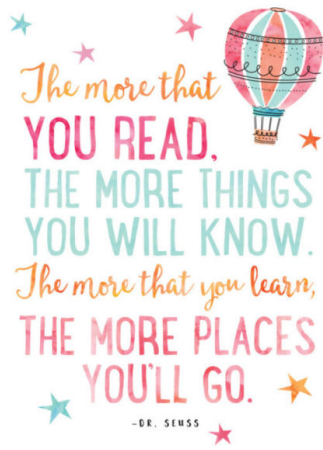
For this term we are incredibly lucky to be able to have Forest School lessons. These are taught within the school grounds.

Please continue to dress your children appropriately in waterproof, warm clothing and wellies. A spare change of clothes are handy too in case we get extra muddy!

Forest School gives us the opportunity to connect with nature and learn through the outdoors. It allows the children to be independent in their exploring and also respectful of the natural world.

Phonics

We are currently learning Phase 4 phonics at school. This includes consolidating the sounds learnt at Phase 3 and practising our sentence writing.



Please listen to your child read at home 5 times per week. This is the most important thing you can do to support learning at this age. Just 10-15 minutes per day makes a big difference! We will be checking yellow reading records weekly and changing books on Thursdays.

Pictures books will be coming home on Fridays. Your children are not expected to be able to read these as they are not Phonics books; they are to enjoy for the pleasure of reading! Please send these back on Mondays ready for the week ahead. Have fun reading together!

Yours Sincerely,
Miss Webb

