



P1 Class Newsletter

Welcome
to our
school!



Welcome

Primary 1 have settled very well into their new class. They are following class routines and enjoying making lots of new friends.

Miss Joss and Mrs Flood are already super proud of how enthusiastic the children are about their learning and their new school.

LITERACY & ENGLISH

Funky Fingers

The children start their day by working on their fine motor skills. These include activities such as lacing, threading, pencil control, tweezer activities etc. To help develop this at home, you could encourage your child to use play dough and develop their cutting abilities.

Phonics

P1 have begun learning their sounds using the Jolly Phonics scheme. We spend lots of time in class revising sounds and letter names. The children complete literacy targets linked to their learning. To encourage further reinforcement at home, the Jolly Phonics App will help with the correct letter formation and provide you with the catchy songs that we are all enjoying in class.

Rhyme

Research shows that children who have memorised nursery rhymes become better readers because they develop an early sensitivity to the sounds of language.

Nursery Rhymes naturally help young children develop phonemic awareness skills, which are the necessary building blocks that children need explicit instruction in before they can begin to read.

Mrs Canning will be joining the children on a Monday to further develop their rhyming skills.

Our IDL topic this term will be Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes so that rhyme is a main focus in the classroom.

NUMERACY & MATHEMATICS

We are using SEAL maths which is the teaching of skills and strategies to help develop early number. Counting forwards and backwards, matching amounts with digits and sequencing are the skills we are currently focusing on.

We are also working on number formation and recognition of numbers up to 10. The children will have several target activities to complete that are linked to this learning.

P.E Days

P1 will have their P.E sessions on a Tuesday with Mr Stevenson. The children will be outside for P.E as much as possible. Please sent your child with appropriate P.E clothing for outside (waterproof jacket and appropriate footwear).

Muddy Movers

P1 will take part in Muddy Movers on a Wednesday afternoon. They will be outside in all weathers. Children should bring a waterproof suit and wellies. On this day, the children will be sent home wearing their outdoor learning suits. These can be dried off at home and returned to school on the following Wednesday.

Useful Links to Reinforce Learning

Numeracy

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/ladybird-spots>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/gingerbread-man-game>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/underwater-counting>

Literacy

<https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/teachers-area/classroom-toolkit/phonics-songs>

<https://www.starfall.com/h/>

