

Primary 1 October Newsletter



Congratulations to all the boys and girls for making a super start to P1. We can't wait to see what they all achieve this term!

Literacy

The children are working hard to develop their fluency and comprehension of the books they read. Please read with your child each night and talk about the story that they have read. It is also helpful for children to hunt for words and sounds they know. Word lists of the high frequency reading words have been issued. Please practise these. We will explore a number of nursery rhymes this term and through these, children will focus on rhyming words and syllables.

Pupils will continue to learn new sounds and will work on using these to read and write new words. Regular practise of the sound cards we have sent home will really help children to build confidence.

We have already started Story Writing where we use a semantics approach, which initially focuses on building stories and helps children to create sentences with their own ideas. Reading lots of story books really helps children develop their own ideas for characters.



Maths

Numeracy

We have investigated numbers to ten and can represent these in different ways using pictures, words, dots and objects. We are working on our counting skills and are learning to sequence numbers. We will continue to practise forming numerals correctly. As the term progresses, we will also explore addition and subtraction. Using concrete materials helps children to build understanding of addition and subtraction.



Number talks

Number Talks are 5–10-minute activities that help build number sense, mental maths and flexibility with number. This term's focus will be fluency or numbers 1-10.

Pattern

We will be learning to copy, continue and create simple patterns. You can practise at home by creating patterns with toys, cutlery, stickers or pens.



Measure

We will be learning more about measure and will compare the capacity and mass of different objects. Please talk to your child about day-to-day examples of measuring at home and involve them if you can.



Topic – Our Local Area

We will be learning all about our local area this term. We will go on a group walk to explore the different buildings and houses in our local area. We will learn about the things we can do in our local spaces.

Topic – STEM

We will be learning about different materials and using this knowledge to create our own bear caves.

Health and Wellbeing

Our P.E days are Monday (outdoors), Thursday (indoors).

During our P.E sessions we will be developing our skills in Badminton and Football. The children will develop their skills required for movement.

SHANARRI Indicator Focus – Each month we have a different focus... October – Healthy November – Achieving December – Nurtured.

Important Dates

Teddy Bear naming ceremony – 30/10/23
Inservice Day – 13/11/23
Christmas Fayre – 25/11/23
Christmas Jumper & Panto Day – 18/12/23
Show Week – w/c 11/12/23
Christmas Lunch – 15/12/23
P1-3 Christmas Party – 21/12/23

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