



# Primary 1 Curriculum Newsletter August - October 2021



# Literacy

Phonics — We have started to introduce our sounds and letter names and are making a great start! We aim to teach up to three sounds each week. We have enjoyed exploring these through stories, songs and outdoor learning opportunities.

# Talk for Writing

We are bringing stories to life through our new talk for writing approach with our first story 'Owl Babies'. To develop our understanding of the story we will be learning through play, drama, actions and discussion.

# Reading

Every afternoon we take the opportunity to share our favourite stories during our 'Reading for Enjoyment' time. We have also begun learning our common words as part of our active reading scheme. Reading books will be sent home as part of homework in September and we look forward to sharing more information about this with you at our Information Evening.

#### Languages

We will be learning numbers, days of the week and greetings in Spanish.

# Numeracy

Primary 1 are investigating Numbers 0 to 20 through visits to the imaginary land of Ten Town. The characters, stories, songs, games and rhymes are engaging and motivating the children's learning experience.

Number formation will be practised in a variety of ways, working on both gross and fine motor skills. Beyond number, we will be identifying and creating patterns as well as looking at time through routines.



9<sup>th</sup> September – P1
Information Evening on Zoom
13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> September –
Sponsored Event
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> and Monday 20<sup>th</sup>
September – Long Weekend
1<sup>st</sup> October – Reports to
parents (levels only)
4<sup>th</sup> October – Foodbank
Collection
6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> October – Parents

Evening

This term, our contexts for learning will be

Getting to Know You, Our Local
Environment, People Who Help Us, Seasons
You can help us by talking about these contexts at

You can help us by talking about these contexts at home with your child.

# Health and Wellbeing

P.E. within Primary 1 will be on Wednesday's and Thursdays where we will enjoy learning new Playground Games together. We will also be having lots of fun exploring the Trim Trail. This will give us the chance to explore the wider school environment and develop coordination and balance.

We have already begun making new friends and will be considering our feelings and emotions in different situations.

On Wednesdays we will be participating in cooking, outdoor learning and P.E. In these sessions, we are looking forward to tasting and making a variety of new foods, exploring loose parts outdoors and developing our ball skills.

### Other Curricular Areas

Music includes a fortnightly session with Mrs Terras, focusing on "All About Me". We are a Rights Respecting School and we will be embedding the values within our learning.

In Social Studies, we will be investigating and discussing our local environment including methods of travel and creating maps.

Within Religious and Moral Education (RME) we look forward to learning about the importance of values and respecting one another within different religions.

# Important Reminders





