

# Primary 1 Learning Letter: Term One

Dear Parent/Carer,

September 2017

Welcome to Term 1 of Primary 1. I hope you all had a relaxing summer break. In school we are looking forward to a busy and exciting term. Over the first few weeks we have been working hard to establish a positive and effective classroom ethos. This has included getting to know each other, and creating our own Community Contract, which helps pupils, staff and visitors to understand how the school values and children's rights are respected within our classroom.

Miss Prior and Mrs Walker



## Interdisciplinary Learning: Toy Story

This term our context for learning is 'Toy Story'. We will be learning about this context through the curriculum areas of Social Studies, Maths and Technologies. The key questions we will explore are:

- What are toys and how do we use them?
- What are the most popular toys?
- What were toys like in the past?
- What is the difference between toys today and the past?
- How are toys made?

## English & Literacy

This term we will learn lots of new sounds and we will develop our letter recognition, formation and blending. We will do this through a variety of songs, actions and stories. We will also begin to develop our skills in word building and blending using the different sounds we have learned.

Our reading in term 1 will focus on exploring fiction texts, and through a range of picture books and stories, we will learn about different characters and settings.

Our writing will focus on a variety of genres including personal, imaginative and functional. As we explore stories, we will also learn to write character and setting descriptions.

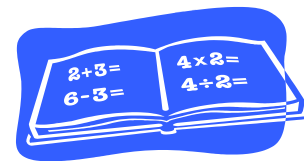


## Maths & Numeracy

This term we will focus on counting forwards and backwards within 20 and beyond. We will play a wide variety of counting games and sing lots of counting songs to help us.

We are also learning to recognise the numeral, word and a variety of dot, sound, finger and picture patterns for each number.

Through the IDL context of 'Toy Story', our maths will focus on sorting of different toys and data handling.



## Additional Information

This term our specialist teachers will be:  
Kevin for Enjoy-a-ball.

This term our PE will be on  
P1P - Monday & Wednesday  
P1W - Monday & Friday

Primary 1 photos will be taken for the  
Courier on 25<sup>th</sup> September

## Homework

Homework will be given on a  
Monday to be returned for  
Friday.

It will include reading,  
phonics and maths tasks.  
Homework may also include  
topic related tasks.

Please remember to bring  
reading books, reading  
records and homework  
jotters to school every day.

## Whole School Maths Week

From Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September, the whole  
school will engage in a week of maths  
and numeracy focused learning.

## Toys from the Past

On Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September, parents or a  
relative will be invited into the classrooms  
to share their toys from the past with the  
children. Details to follow.