

Year 1 Newsletter

Term 4 2024

The topic this term is:

One Picture/On the Move

Welcome Back!

English

We will continue to focus our English sessions on reading and writing skills. This will involve both handwriting and secretarial skills alongside punctuation. We will then be applying these skills to writing stories. We will be learning about traditional tales and poetry and rhyme. We are starting a guided reading session each week which will enable the children share books in small groups with an adult. Our focus in handwriting will be the letters that have ascenders such as 'd' and descenders such as 'y'.

The children will continue to focus on the following, and they should be able to spot them in their reading and apply them in their writing:

Full – stops, capital letters, adjectives, story starters, question marks and finger spaces.

These are the tricky words that we have introduced alongside the phonemes in each phase.

Phase 2 to 5 Tricky Words			
Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5
I	he	said	oh
no	she	have	Mrs
the	we	like	people
to	me	so	their
go	be	do	called
into	you	some	Mr
	are	come	looked
	her	little	asked
	was	one	could
	all	were	
	they	there	
	my	what	
		when	
		out	

Please practise reading and writing them with your child. It is important that the children spell them correctly.

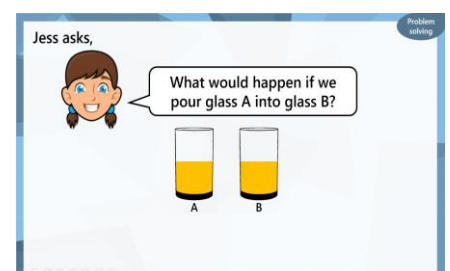
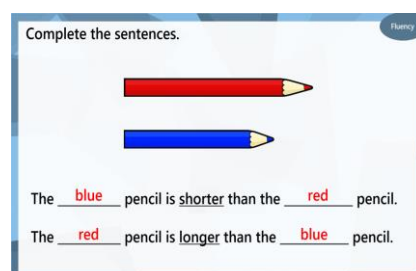
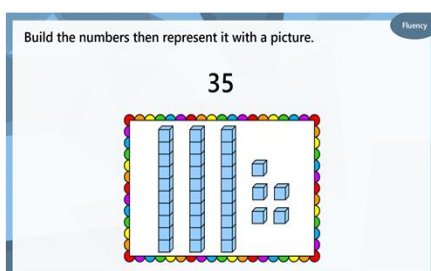
Phonics

This term, we will be revising the Phase 5 phonemes as well continuing with the Phase 2 and Phase 3 phonemes. The children should be able to recognise them in their reading and apply them in their writing.



Maths

In Maths, the children will be solving number problems using place value to 50, addition and subtraction. We will be investigating, measuring and comparing length, height, mass and volume of objects and liquids.



Art

Our focus this term is the **One Picture** project about 'The Painter's Family' by Henri Matisse. We will be creating paintings, collage, weavings and developing a range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space.



Science

We will continue to explore the properties of natural and manmade materials including clay and fabric. We will focus on wind proofing, waterproofing and transparency. Our focus for the ongoing weather topic will be Spring.



Geography

We will be looking at local street maps and the routes we take to come to school.

We will look at maps in more detail and begin to understand what the symbols on the maps mean.

Computing

Our focus will be grouping and sorting of objects and how to create a pictogram both using Purple Mash. We will continue to learn about E – safety.

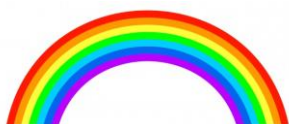


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The children will be learning about Easter, that Jesus is special to Christians and how his welcome on Palm Sunday shows this.

Important reminders

- Please make sure all uniform is clearly labelled including PE kit. It helps us and the children to look after their clothes.
- PE kit needs to include shorts and tracksuit bottoms please
- Also remember to send your child in with their water bottle every day. Please remember that we only change your child's reading books if you have written or signed in the yellow reading record book.
- Please write other messages in the contact book or email the school office.



Useful websites for home learning:

We appreciate home learning can be challenging. We wanted to share some websites that might support:

A range of phonic games:

[PhonicsPlay - Phase 3 Resources](#)

[PhonicsPlay - Phase 4 Resources](#)

[PhonicsPlay - Phase 5 Resources](#)

<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>

Interactive Books to share at home

[Topmarks: teaching resources, interactive resources, worksheets, homework, exam and revision help](#)

Maths and English games

[ictgames || html5 Home Page](#)

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