

Year One Summer 2 newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our final newsletter for this academic year! We want to thank you for all the support you have shown throughout the year. During this final half term, our learning will be based on 'The Beach'. Please see the curriculum overview overleaf to see the skills we will be covering this half term and how to help your child at home.

Staff Working With Your Child:

These are the following teachers and other adults who will be working with your child this year:

| Teachers | Other Adults |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mrs Ali & Miss Jacques | Mrs Begum/Mrs Hasan |
| Mrs Choudhury/Miss Tolsma | Mrs Mahmood and Mis Bibi |
| Mrs Steyn | Mrs Ahmed /Mr Ismaieel |

Reminders:

- PE lessons are on **Tuesday mornings**. As it will be very warm, please ensure that your child has a suitable kit that is brought in at the start of the week ready for the lesson.
- Please make sure that **all items of uniform** are **clearly labelled**.
- Library sessions are weekly on **Wednesday afternoons** so please ensure your child is ready to return their library book on this day.
- Please ensure your child comes to school every day with their **book bag** and **home reading book**.
- Send your child to school with a **named water bottle** to drink from throughout the day.

Reading and Homework:

- Please encourage your child to read at home **every day**. We will monitor your child's reading record to ensure they are reading at home and that the reading record is being signed by an adult.
- **Homework books** will be sent out every **Friday** and are expected to be back in school by the following **Wednesday**. Please support your child by discussing and sharing ideas. Please make sure the work is completed by your child.
- **Spelling lists** will be sent home every **Friday**. Please support your child at home to work on these.

Parents Open Morning

Final chance to help support your child's reading skills in year 1!

Parent Open mornings will still be taking place **every Thursday morning** this half term. Please remember that this session is for you to come in and **support your child** on a range of activities in relation to reading.

- **Sessions are from 8:40am – 8:55am, every Thursday morning**. Please come into your child's class with them promptly so that they have the maximum amount of time with you.

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to know more information please speak to your child's class teacher. We look forward to working with you and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely
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Maths

This term the children will be focusing on working with coins, time and fractions. They will be finding amounts of money, looking at 'o'clock' and 'half past' and ending the term finding halves and quarters.

How to help your child at home:

- Number songs and games
- Reading and counting using numbers up to 100.
- Expose children to coins and amounts.
- Practise recognising the time at home and when out and about.
- Use real life objects to explore half and quarters.

Music/PSHE/Circle Time

Children will participate in weekly Music and PSHE lessons. The weekly lessons will allow children to talk about current affairs and develop expressing their feelings and opinions.

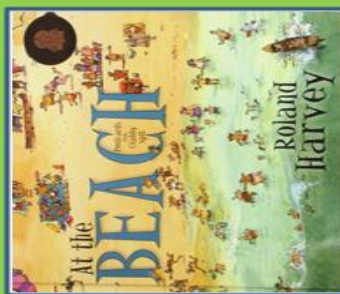
PE

During this half term, children will be developing their skills in: relay, catching and throwing, positional language and movement, and different types of movement (running, jogging etc). This half term the children will also have sports week and sports day!

Science

This term children will be:

- Identifying and naming a variety of everyday materials and describing their physical properties.
- Describing, identifying and comparing a range of common animals.
- Protecting the environment.
- Performing simple tests.
- Gathering and recording data.



Art

Children will explore various textures, colours and materials.

They will look at various artists' work about the seaside and will be creating a collage of a seaside scene.

Literacy

This half term the children will be focusing on recounts and poetry. We will be using the book: 'At the Beach' by Ronald Harvey.

Children will be learning how to use present and past tense, how to create a poem as well as improving their sentence writing skills.

How to help your child at home:

- Hear your child read every day.
- Take a trip to the seaside (if you can).
- Read books about the seaside.
- Ask your child to recount (tell you) a special trip - i.e. to the park, theme park, visit to a family member, etc.

Computing

Online Safety and exploring purple mash

Children will learn to log in safely and understand the importance of logging out when they have finished.

They will start to understand the idea of 'ownership' of their creative work and learn how to search Purple Mash to find resources. They will start to add pictures and text to work.

To explore the Tools section of Purple Mash and to learn about the common icons used in Purple Mash for Save, Print, Open, New. They will also explore the Games section on Purple Mash.

Geography

Children will use world maps, atlases and globes to identify:

- 7 continents and 5 oceans
- United Kingdom and its countries

They will also link lessons to our topic and look at the different features of the seaside and how to take care of our rivers and oceans.



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