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Spring 2 Newsletter

Year 1

Dear Year 1 Parents and Guardians,

We hope you had a relaxing and fun Half term break! We are looking forward to a fantastic term in Year 1, here's a little about what we'll be up to...

This half term in maths we will be focusing on length and height, mass and volume as well as consolidating place value within 50 .

We will begin by revisiting our learning from the end of last term, continuing to practise subtraction, fact families and number bonds to 20 .

Following on from this, the children will be introduced to the concept of length and height covering both non-standard and standard units.

We will then move on to measuring and comparing mass, volume and capacity to finalise our learning this half term.

Year 1 will be exploring wonderful texts that involve themes around the ocean in literacy including, 'The Storm Whale' by Benji Davies and ' The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch' Ronda and David Armitage.

The children will be developing their skills within writing as they focus on the using the first person narrative, time phrases, adjectives connected to feelings and writing to persuade.

Linking to our theme of oceans, in history the children will be learning about Grace Darling and her heroic achievements as well as the origins of the RNLI. This ties in

nicely with one of the highlights of this half term, which will be building their own lifeboat models in DT.

We are really looking forward to seeing their creations and testing them out in water!

Seasons will be the focus in Science this term, where they will be looking at the different seasons and the varying weather, as well as how this affects our daily lives. The children will be engaging in a longitudinal study across this half term to further support their understanding. Trips will be planned to the Pleasaunce to spot changes in plants and trees later in the term.

There will also be a in house Zoolab session in school on 6th March for both classes where the children can explore and learn about different animals.

In RE, the children will be continuing to learn about Christianity, the significance of Jesus and deepen their understanding of the story of Easter.

Reminder of PE Days:

Miss Fay's Class: **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**

Miss Mancey's Class: **Wednesdays** and **Fridays**

Can the children wear trainers and comfortable clothes on these days please!

Warm wishes to you and your families,

Miss Fay and Miss Mancey