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Summer 1 Newsletter

Year 1

Dear Year 1 Parents and Guardians,

The Summer Term has arrived – let's hope the weather follows suit after a wonderful, sunny Easter weekend! Here is a rundown of all the brilliant learning we will be doing this term...

In maths, after recapping our learning about counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to further build the children's fluency, we will be developing our understanding of multiplication and division. Children will also be exploring fractions this term focusing on the concept of a 'quarter' and a 'half'. After this, we will move onto learning about position and direction (describing turns, forwards and backwards) before proceeding to work on ordinal numbers.

We will use the beach as a stimulus and inspiration for our literacy learning this term, which links to an aspect of our Art learning, which will be centred around making sculptures of boats. We will begin the term by writing a character description based on Julia Donaldson's lovely book 'The Singing Mermaid' following on with an exciting trip recount of our Greenwich Park visit. We will be sharing many rich and engaging texts and using them as a base for our writing.

In Science this term, we will be learning all about plants, with one of our focuses as looking at different types of deciduous and evergreen trees – identifying their parts and what they do and naming and classifying trees in our local area. We have our exciting trip to Greenwich Park on Thursday 1st May and will be visiting the Pleasance later in the summer term to give us more opportunities to learn about plants and trees. We will also be planting broad beans, experimenting with

removing important factors such as light or water and predicting the growth patterns of our plants.

PE Days:

Miss Hills's Class: **Thursdays** and **Fridays**

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

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

Trips:

Greenwich Park: **Thursday 1st May**

Home Readers:

A big thank you to all of you who have supported your children with reading at home and particularly with returning our home-readers on time!

Both Year 1 teachers use the same system for checking books in and out and due to the number of books we have in a set, must operate a system of 'one in one out' each week. Which means, if children do not return their reading book, teachers are unable to issue a new one until it is returned. We understand that it is tricky sometimes to keep track of school books and we have and will continue to talk to the children about routines which can help with this, such as keeping the green reading record and home-reader in their school bag at all times and replacing after use etc.

All the best to you and your families,

Miss Hills and Miss Mancey and the Year 1 Team