



Autumn 1 Newsletter

Year 1

Dear Year 1 parents and guardians,

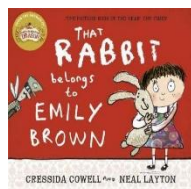
We are so excited to welcome your children into our classes and the Autumn term of Year 1!

Maths

In maths, we will begin with looking at sorting and ordering groups of objects and numbers. Over the next three weeks, we will be moving on to addition and subtraction within 10. The children will then be introduced to the idea of 'parts' and 'wholes' and apply this to groups of objects and numbers. This will be closely linked to our learning about addition, number bonds to 10 and then to the concept of commutativity. Please find the White Rose Maths workbooks attached for the units that we will cover. These are a useful tool to support your child's learning.

Literacy

We begin the year with an exciting whole school project, embedding our focus on culture and diversity. We are looking forward to a storytelling workshop in week 2 with Usifu Jalloh, from the company Connection with Wonder, which will inspire our learning with an oracy focus, building confidence and curiosity for writing. Our literacy learning sequences always begin with a book and this term's theme links to our history project, Toys Through Time. We will be reading:



In writing we are focussing on accurate and consistent letter formation and growing our understanding of what makes a sentence.

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Phonics

We continue to follow the Little Wandle scheme in Year 1. Children will have daily phonics lessons and reading practice sessions three times a week. They will bring home their phonics book each Friday which we would like them to read to you. They will also bring home a book of choice from the book corner. Please ensure these are returned every Thursday to the box outside of the classroom door. The Autumn term begins with a review of learning before we move on to new GPCs in Phase 5. Each week children will be given a review sheet to practice the new words at home.

Autumn 1	Review tricky words Phases 2–4
Review Phase 3 and 4 Phase 5 /ai/ ay play /ow/ ou cloud /oi/ oy toy /ea/ ea each	Phases 2–4: the put* pull* full* push* to into I no go of he she we me be was you they all are my by sure pure said have like so do some come love were there little one when out what says here today

More information on our phonics learning can be found here:

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Science

Materials will be the focus of our science learning this term. We begin with understanding the difference between an object and the material it is made from. We will investigate everyday materials in our environment. We will move on to exploring and comparing their structure and using adjectives to describe their many properties.

Foundation

The wider curriculum will provide us with some great learning experiences this term. In art we will be learning about Matisse, with a focus on his 'drawing with scissors' to create colourful collages. In RE, we begin learning about the concept of 'belonging' building the children's understanding of what it could mean to belong to a community. E-safety is our main focus in Computing. We will be thinking about how to keep our information safe and what to do when we are worried. In History, the children will be learning about 'Toys

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through Time'. We will be exploring the differences and similarities of old and new toys as well as discussing materials that were used and how they have changed over time. In Spanish, we will be learning how to present ourselves and say the colours.

PE

Both classes will have indoor and outdoor PE on **Tuesday afternoons**. Please ensure children are wearing comfortable clothing and appropriate footwear.

Kind wishes,

Miss Charlton and Mrs Paratilla