



Week beginning: 14th April 2019

'Achieving Excellence'

Our Y1 Learning Pathways



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We are looking forward to starting the last exciting term of Year 1.

Here are some reminders:

- No nuts of any kind are to be brought into school – this includes peanut butter and nutella.
- No jewellery should be worn on PE days.
- No chocolate in lunchboxes. That means: no nutella, no chocolate pudding/ yoghurt/ milk.
- Please make sure all children's items are labelled.
- Reading books are sent home weekly, please ensure you are sending your child's reading folder to school on their reading day, so the books can be changed.
- Each Wednesday children will be tested on their spelling words that have been sent home. Please send their spelling words book in every Wednesday, so their teacher can stick in the new spelling list.
- Please check the School website and Home communication book every day - there will be some helpful information and some things that we may need from you as parents.

If you need to talk to us, please feel free to e-mail us.

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English

This week the children will be applying their knowledge of sentence structure and adjectives to writing about their holidays. We will also be carrying out a phonics screening check to test how much progress the children have made in sound recognition and reading, since the beginning of Year 1.

Reading

Weekly readers will be handed out again this week.

Whilst you enjoy reading with your son/daughter, here are some questions you could ask when reading, to help support your child's progress:

Prediction Questions with Pip

- Where do you think.... will go next?
- What do you think... will say / do next?
- What do you think this book will be about? Why?
- How do you think that this will end?
- Who do you think has done it?
- What might.... say about that?





Spelling

There will be a spelling test on Wednesday 17th April.

Here is a list of the common exception words children are expected to be able to spell at the end of Year 1, getting your children to read and write these words regularly will help their progress in both reading and writing.

Year 1 Common Exception Words

the	is	no	one
a	his	go	once
do	has	so	ask
to	I	by	friend
today	you	my	school
of	your	here	put
said	they	there	push
says	be	where	pull
are	he	love	full
were	me	come	house
was	she	some	our

Maths: Measuring – Length and Height

This week, the children will begin a new unit on length and height. The children will start their maths learning this week by comparing the length and height of objects, using the terminology biggest, smallest, tallest, shortest. We will then use non-standard units of measures, such as blocks, paper clips and counters to measure things around the class. Finally, the children will be challenged to use a ruler to measure and record their findings.

Here is how you could support your child's learning at home:

- Ask your child to compare the length/height of objects around the home.
- Encourage your child to measure using different non-standard units of measure e.g. coins, paper clips.

Topic: Funny Bones

This week we will start our new topic Funny Bones. The children will be learning about the five senses and the different body parts we use to sense things. We will then make collages out of recycled materials identifying the different body parts we use to sense things.