



Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 19th October 2018

Important messages

Dear Parents/Carers,
We have come to the end of the first term of this academic year. School will be closed all half term. From today **Friday 19th October until Monday 29th October when the children will be expected to report back.**

Thank you so much for your continued support. A huge thank you to those who helped us when we went on our first trip to Norbury library. The staff at the library were very pleased with our children's behaviour and enthusiasm they expressed about books. We would like you to support this interest by taking them to the library to borrow a book and share with them a story at every opportunity you get.

Please continue to help your children to develop life skills by allowing them to do simple chores.

Please label all your children's belongings (bag, clothes, shoes and coats) so that it's easy for us to return them to the correct child if found in the playground.

RE

As part of their RE lesson, the children will be looking at the Christian faith in preparation for Christmas.

Science

In Science children will continue to look at the different groups of animals and group common animals in either mammals, fish or birds.

Maths

The children will continue to use different methods to add two numbers below 10. They will use the; part whole model, the number line, counters and multilink cubes.

Things to do at home

- Add one object on the pile you have and ask questions that use the language; 'three more'.



We visited Norbury library this week.

Some of us who had library cards were able to borrow books to take home to read with their parents. We were excited to see so many interesting books in the children's section. Sue, the librarian said that they even have books for adults.

English:

During the first week of term the children will be learning to write a narrative based on the book, 'Where the Wild Things are.' They will write their version of the story using their imagination. In addition, they will act out the story. They will be working in pairs to check whether their partner's sentence makes sense.

They will use connectives, 'and' and 'because' to extend their sentences. They will be using capital letters to start their sentences and to write people's names and end their sentences with a full stop. They will be encouraged to use finger spaces to separate words.

Things to do at home

- Visit the library and read the story beforehand.
- Talk about the main events in the book.
- Write a book review of the book.

Eg. I like this book because..

I didn't like the.....
Because.....

Things you need to know

P.E sessions are as follows:

- Bees – Friday
- Butterflies -Thursday
- Caterpillars - Monday
- Ladybirds- Monday

Please label **all** your child's items of clothing. P.E Kits must be brought in school on Monday and left until end of the week.

Your child has been given homework their book bags. Please assist your child to do it. They can do it all or they can choose at least two activities.

Please continue to read with your child every day and make a comment on how they read in their reading journal.

Attendance w/e 12/10/18

Whole school attendance: 96.1 %

Bees: 92%

Butterflies: 91.9%

Caterpillars: 95.7%

Ladybirds: 96.7%

Congratulations Ladybirds.

The National expectation is that attendance should exceed 96.5%.