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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 1 Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter – Spring Term 1 2023

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely break. We are excited to start our new topic and learn all about flight.

Maths

We will continue with our unit on addition and subtraction (within 20), with a particular focus on developing a deeper understanding of how addition and subtraction work, and explaining our reasoning, e.g. "I notice.." and "I know this because...".

We will also be learning about the place value of numbers up to fifty, exploring how they are made up of tens and ones.

Reading

Please make sure that your child brings their book bag to school every day. We will continue to encourage the children to change their chosen book from the reading corner as often as they would like. They will also have a guided reading book which they will change twice a week. Please continue to read at home (at least) five times a week and record these reads in their reading diaries; this can be any book from home or school. We will work together as a class to earn the EYFS/ KS1 reading trophy!

Home Learning

Please see the document with some starter home learning ideas for this half term. You can also access Education City at home to support your child's learning.

To help you know what we are learning in phonics, we will continue stick a sticker in your child's reading diary each week, which will show you the focus sounds and tricky troll words. The list of Tricky Troll words is attached to this letter.

PE

Our PE lesson days are Monday and Friday. Children will change for PE in school so please remember to leave a named PE kit on pegs. Please make sure that earrings are taken out on PE days, or support children to learn how to take them out on their own. Please also make sure that children are wearing clothes that they are able to change out of independently, have their hair tied back if necessary and have trainers to wear.

Fruit and Water

Children are provided with a piece of fruit every day, but you are welcome to send them in with another piece if you wish. Water bottles should come into school every day and be placed on the trolleys outside class. Please take home daily to refresh.

Home times/pick up

Please remember to let the office know if someone different is collecting your child at home time.

Other reminders

We will continue to keep good levels of ventilation in school, so layers of clothing will be useful as the weather becomes cooler. Do send in spare pants/clothing if your child may need these. It is also useful to have a pair of named wellies in school, which can be used in the forest area.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Taylor and Miss Hayhurst
Year 1 teachers

Here are some ideas to help your child practise tricky troll words at home:

1. Write the words on post-its and hide them around your home for your child to find and read.
2. Write the tricky troll word in lots of different colour pens, talk about what makes it 'tricky'.
3. Spot the word in books.
4. Put the tricky troll word up as a "password" to read as you go in/out of a room.
5. Write the letters of the tricky troll word on different pieces of paper for your child to find and put together.
6. Play bingo with tricky troll words.

Tricky Troll Word List

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