



## Year 1 Newsletter – Autumn 1, 2023

Dear families,

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with information and reminders which we hope you and your child will find useful.

In our year group this term we will have the following adults;

**Rose** – Mr Lambourne

**Foxglove** – Miss Robinson

**Snowdrop** – Miss Garner (Year Lead)

**Harebell** – Miss Kearns

We also have the following TAs who will be supporting across the year group; Mrs Wright, Miss Maltese, Miss Mortham, Miss Gorham, Ms James, Mrs Dobrowoeska and Mrs Hodgman who is our Lead TA.

Our PE coach is Miss Bagshaw and Miss Tahara and Mrs Fulford – Foy will also be teaching some lessons.

### Maths

Our focus is;

- to represent numbers from 0 to 20 using practical objects, numerals and tens frames.
- to compare numbers using the greater than, less than and equal to symbols.
- to order numbers and use ordinal numbers
- to understand and complete part-whole models
- to understand number bonds and relative facts.

### English

#### Reading

In reading our focus is;

- using decoding skills to read sentences accurately.
- using the context of text and pictures to help read unfamiliar words.

#### Writing

In writing our focus is;

- Constructing and writing sentences
- Adding vocabulary for detail such as adjectives.
- Expanding sentences with conjunctions



## Phonics

In RWI we will be continuing to focus on the decoding, blending and segmenting of words to support children's development in reading and spelling. Children are set into ability groups across Year 1.

## Science

In Science, the children are learning about the parts of the body and how our senses help us to perceive the world around us.

## Primary Knowledge Curriculum - Geography

In Geography, the children will be learning about maps. They will learn the compass points, use locational language and create a map including symbols and a key.

## Art

In Art, the children will be learning about colour. They will explore primary and secondary colours, developing an understanding of tints and shades and how they can be applied for affect.

## P.E.

In PE, the children will be exploring ideas, moods and feelings by experimenting with actions, dynamics, directions, levels and a growing range of movements through creative dance.

PE will take place twice a week and on the following days:

Rose – Monday (Indoor) Wednesday (Outside)

Foxglove – Monday (Outside) Wednesday (Indoor)

Snowdrop – Monday (Indoor) Thursday (Outside)

Harebell – Monday (Indoor) Thursday (Outside)

Information regarding PE kit can be found on the year group page of the website. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit appropriate for indoor and outdoor PE during the Autumn and Winter months.

## PSHE/RE

In PSHE, we are looking at how what makes us happy including thinking about something which makes us feel proud. We will also be looking at how we make our classroom a safe and happy environment. In RE, our focus will be the Christian creation story.

## Music

In music, we will be working on developing our listening skills and how we perform different songs.

## Computing

We are focusing on computing during our choosing time.



### Choosing time

Throughout the day we will participate in different areas of the curriculum through our choosing time. This is our opportunity to complete activities linked to our learning.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle (containing only water) with them every day.

We look forward to the year ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Year 1 Class teachers