

Year 1 Newsletter - Autumn 2 2021

Dear Parent/Carers,

This half term we will be learning through the theme of 'Citizenship and the World'. This topic allows our children to think critically about the world around them and beyond.

Attendance

Sparrow: 96.6%

Starling: 94.8%

Target: 97.5%

As readers and writers:



This half terms books are based on the amazing topic of Space! Our focused books will be 'The Way back home' by Oliver Jeffers and 'Man on the Moon' by Simon Bartram. These two books will ensure that the children are using different writing styles. This includes, writing for information, letters and lists. We are still developing our writing by using our sounds to write and focusing on sentence structure using full stops, capital letters and connective words e.g. and, but, so...

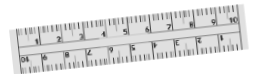
The teaching of reading is continued by daily phonics lessons and guided reading. The children develop at their own level and are encouraged with engaging stories.

As scientists we are learning:

All about animals and their different characteristics. We will gain a better understanding of vertebrates and their sub-categories. We will understand animals can be carnivores, herbivores or omnivores and learn how to care for animals, especially pets.

As Mathematicians we will be learning about:

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Numbers within 20

- To count forwards and backwards from zero to 20
- To group ten objects and count on from ten
- To recognise a 'ten' and 'ones' in teen numbers
- To compare and order numbers to 20
- To create patterns with numbers within 20

Adding and subtracting within 20.

- Counting on to add small amounts
- Counting back to subtract small amounts
- Using number bonds/known facts to add
- Using number bonds/known facts to subtract
- Using the 'Make ten' strategy to add
- Using the 'Make ten' strategy to subtract
- Applying strategies and experimenting with modelling

As theologians...

In RE this half term, we will be learning about Christianity. We will be focussing on the different celebrations of the authority and worship within this religion. We will also look at the Christian festival of Christmas.

As budding techies...

We will be learning how to code and use the internet safely.

As athletes:

We will be improving our coordination and ball skills.

As musicians:

We will continue to enjoy our Musical Bumps sessions where we are learning all about beat, rhythm



As historians:

We will learn about the events beyond living memory including learning about Nelson Mandela and finding out why he is memorable person in history.

As artists and designers:

We will be using paint to explore, colour, texture and space. We will be learning about the great artist George Seurat and gain knowledge of different art forms.

As good citizens...

We will learn about the importance of showing mutual respect and tolerance to those in our own community and others.

Citizenship and the world!

Notices and reminders

- PE is on MONDAY AND FRIDAY every week for Starlings and Sparrows. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on the relevant day.
- The homework for this term will be in Homework books. This is to be completed weekly and where relevant recorded in books
- Homework will be given out every Friday and needs to be handed in by the following Wednesday at the latest.
- Please read with your child every day and initial your child's comments.
- Please bring in your child's reading book every day and their reading record book.

Thank you for your support!

Year 1 Team

Sparrow

Class Teachers: Miss Campbell

Starling

Class Teacher: Miss Swinney

Year 1 Teaching Assistant: Mrs Jalaei