



# Year 1 Newsletter

**Autumn 2  
2020**

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful half term! Year 1 worked extremely hard last term and settled in very well. The teachers have planned a half term full of exciting and new learning opportunities. This newsletter will highlight the curriculum topics we will cover this term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with your child's class teacher.

Miss Ramji (1W), Miss Adil (1P), Miss Patel (1S) and Ms Hussain (1F).

## Literacy

In Literacy we will be focusing on looking at poetry, stories with a familiar setting and traditional tales.

### **Children will:**

- \*Look at rhyming words.
- \* Write their own repetitive poem.
- \*Predict the events of a story.
- \*Re-tell stories.
- \*Describe settings.
- \*Use conjunctions to link sentences together.

**Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their handwriting. You can support your child to learn the year 1 common exception words/high frequency words.**

Useful website:

<http://www.ictgames.com>

## Science

### **Everyday materials**

- \*Introducing a basic range of materials e.g. wood, plastic, glass.
- \* Sorting materials by their properties.
- \* Looking at waterproof materials.

### **Seasons**

- \*Observe changes over time.
- \*Describe and record the weather.

## Computing

This unit introduces children to early programming concepts. The children will explore using individual commands, both with each other and as part of a computer programme. They will use floor robots to start understanding and creating simple programs.

## D.T.

In D.T. children will be creating a skyline using things that are of importance to them.

## Geography

This term we will be learning about the UK- our homeland and understanding how it has changed over time. Children will also have a chance to learn and explore people's way of life, including their own, change with location and time. Children will then get the chance to discuss their views and take part in decision-making.

## Music

Music will be delivered by a Brent schools music teacher who will be focussing on rhythm skills and rhyming patterns.

## Maths

- \*To count in multiples of twos and fives from 0.
- \*To compare the lengths and heights of objects.
- \*To measure and begin to record length and height.
- \*To use number bonds within 10.

Children will need to recall simple addition facts and will be tested on their knowledge of this regularly during lessons. We encourage parents/carers to practise number bonds with their children.

## P.E

P.E lessons will be taught by a specialist P.E teacher. The children will explore simple movement patterns such as jumping, hopping, side stepping and crouching.

Please ensure your child **comes in to school dressed in their P.E kits every Wednesday and Friday.**

## R.E. Food

Children will be continuing to look at different foods by looking at the similarities between religion in relation to food. Please support your child by discussing different foods.

Due to the pandemic, please ensure that you are keeping a safe distance from the class teacher. There is a presentation on the school website with information about Year 1. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to email [learning@wembley.brent.sch.uk](mailto:learning@wembley.brent.sch.uk) or book a phone call with your class teacher.



# Year 1 Topic Home Learning Autumn 2

Please choose at least one of the challenges to complete.

## Science - Winter Selfie

Try to visit the local park or go for a short walk.

Do you notice what colour the leaves are in Winter and what type of clothing people wear in Winter?



Can you take a picture with some trees, leaves or animals that you may see in Winter?

Please bring this photograph into school.

## Materials

In science, we will be learning about different types of materials.

Can you help your child design a poster about basic materials with some brief examples of each.

You may stick some materials to your poster if you wish.

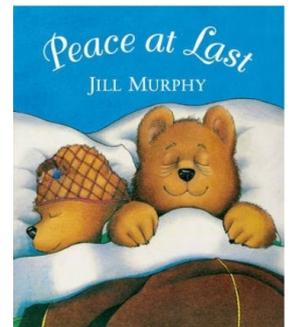


## Literacy - Stories

Have you read a good book recently? Tell us all about it! Draw a picture of your favourite part of the book and write a matching sentence!

**Don't forget to use:**

- \*A Capital letter
- \*Finger spaces
- \*A full stop



## Compulsory Homework—Each week

### Reading

Reading books will be changed **every Monday and Friday**. Please ensure your child's reading record is **signed** to show that you have read with your child. Books will not be changed unless their reading record is signed.



### Spellings

Spellings will be given **every Tuesday** and children will be tested the **following Monday**. The phonics sounds that they are learning in class will be highlighted in red.

### High frequency words

Children will be given a small labelled A5 wallet with some laminated cut up words inside them. Children need to practise reading these words by sight and spelling these words **daily**. The wallet will need to be kept in their book bags and will be changed every fortnight, if the child is confident with them.

### Mental Maths/Phonics homework

Your child will be given phonics and numeracy homework in their red homework books **every Fridays**. The homework will need to be handed in on the following **Wednesday**. Please encourage the children to do their homework independently and guide them if they need support.