



Year 1 Newsletter

**Summer 1
2024**

News

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break!

We are very proud of all the progress year 1 have made last term, which is the result of all their hard work. The teachers have planned a new 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.

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Literacy

Children will be:

- *learning about non-fiction and fiction text.
- *identifying the features of a non-chronological report.
- *writing a non-chronological report.
- *learning imperative verbs.
- *identifying the features of instructions.
- *Writing a set of instructions.

How can you help your child at home?

In order to help your child at home, you can encourage them to practise their handwriting and learn the Year 1 common exception words/ high frequency words which will be sent home.

Useful website: <http://www.ictgames.com>

Science

This half-term we will be learning about animals. Children will be learning to group animals into 5 different groups such as mammals, fish, amphibians, reptiles and birds. They also learn to classify and name different animals.

Children will also be observing, describing and recording the changes in the weather over time.

Useful website: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6882hv>

Computing

Digital writing:

This term the children will learn how to use a computer to create and change text. They will become more familiar with typing on a keyboard and begin to use tools to change the look of their writing. They will also think about the difference between writing on a computer and on paper.

Art

Andy Warhol—Popart

Children will be recreating popart through self portraits, everyday items using poster paints, chalks etc.

Maths

Children will be learning:

- *Names of common 3D shapes and their properties.
- *Comparing, describing and solving practical problems for length, height, mass, weight and capacity.
- *Solving one-step problems that involve addition and subtraction.
- *Solving one step problems involving division and multiplication.

Useful websites:

Place value: <https://www.mathsisfun.com/>

History

The Royals

This half term we will be focussing on the Royal Family. We will be talking and learning about a family tree, coronation, different members of the family and famous royals, especially famous queens Elizabeth I and Elizabeth II.

Useful website: <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/members-area/kids/kids-rule-guide-to-kings-and-queens/>

Music

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

P.E

P.E lessons will be taught by a specialist P.E teacher. The children will explore games involving throwing, catching and creating games.

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

RE

Children will about learn different religions. We will be looking at how water is used in different aspects of religion and prayer as well as water as a source of life.

Thank you from the Year 1 Team. Please note that morning drop off to school is from 8.35am until 8:50am. Children should be collected from their classrooms at 3.20pm.

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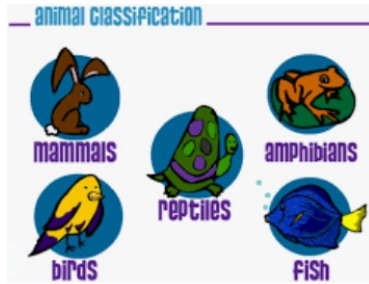


Year 1 Topic Home Learning Summer 1

Please choose at least one of the KS1 challenges to complete.

Science—Animals

Can you create a **fact file** about which animal you would like as a pet? Think about what that animal looks like, what animal group does it belong and why. Draw a picture of your animal in full colour and add all the reasons why it would be a perfect pet for you. Use all the key words you have learnt!



Art—Toys!

For art children are learning to draw, colour and build their own toy. Can you create a picture of a toy that you think every child today would want to play with?

***Think about the size and shape**

***Colour/material**

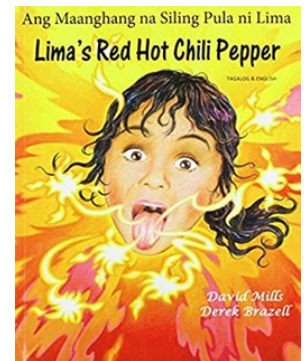
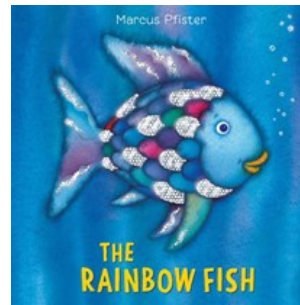


Literacy-Stories

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 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 in their spelling book.

Homework

Your child will be given phonics, English and maths homework in their red homework books **every Friday**. 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.