

English

This half term we will continue to share stories in English lessons. We will focus on asking 'who, what, why and how' questions, sequencing stories and retelling them. We will also begin to create our own stories by drawing story maps and preform these as a class.

We will focus upon writing key words and captions using our phonics sounds.

We will continue our daily Phonics lessons to support our communication and language, reading and writing. This term we will focus on being able to blend and read some words independently.

Reception/ Year 1 Autumn 2 Term Newsletter

Please remember to read for 10 minutes **EVERY NIGHT**. Parents, carers and older siblings can sign reading record entries – these will be checked daily in school.

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This half term we will explore celebrations. We will explore the celebrations of bonfire night, Diwali and Christmas, discussing how these may be similar or different to the celebrations we celebrate with our families.

Maths

The topic for Maths this half term is 'it's me 1,2,3!'. Throughout this topic we will look at writing numerals, representing numbers, counting objects, adding and subtracting, one- and three-sided shapes and identifying 1p and 2p coins.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term we will be focusing upon recognising emotions, communicating our emotions and learning how to regulate them. We will engage in daily mindfulness sessions focused upon breathing techniques, guided meditation and yoga. We will also continue to focus on independence skills such as dressing ourselves and zipping up our coats.

Computing:

This half term we will learn how to code using a variety of different apps during our Junior Jam IT sessions.

Curriculum:

We have a mixture of adult focused activities and child-initiated play in Reception/Y1. Play is a very important part of your children's learning and provides them with plentiful of opportunities to develop a wide range of skills across the curriculum such as communication and language, building self-confidence, developing writing skills and creativity.

PE:

PE will continue to take place every Friday morning this half term. Full PE kits must be worn and left in school which must include trainers or pumps. Please make sure that all items are labelled clearly with your child's

Understanding the World:

This half term we will be exploring the world around us as the season changes from autumn to winter. We will look at key signs of winter and animals that hibernate for the winter. We will also look at people and communities by exploring a variety of different celebrations.

Phonics Home Learning:

Please practise the provided phonics sound flashcards **EVERY NIGHT** with your child. This is essential in helping your child to read and write. More guidance will be posted on dojo on how to use these.

We hope you find this newsletter useful and if you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact school on Class Dojo.

Thank you, Miss Hulme.

Music:

We will be taking part in weekly Music lessons which will help us to develop across all areas of the EYFS curriculum. Our topics include singing, percussion and African drumming.