



Near and Far

Show and Tell... Each week we will have a Show and Tell session, there will be a timetable provided. We encourage the children to bring in objects from home. However we ask that the objects are not too valuable or sentimental.

Uniform, PE kits and water bottles ... We expect the children to be in full school uniform at all times. PE days are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and earrings must be removed before school. Water bottles can be kept in school but they must contain water only. We ask that the water bottles are clearly named.

Homework ... Homework will be set on a weekly basis. Your child will receive 1 piece of Phonics and 1 piece of Maths homework. Homework is set on a Thursday and we expect it to be returned by the following Wednesday.

Reading ... Reading books will be changed each week by an adult every Tuesday and Thursday. Children must put their reading book in the box in the classroom when it is ready to be changed. There is an expectation that children read every night of the week, preferably to an adult.

Dates for your diary ...

Library visits:

Hazel class: 21st September, 19th October, 23rd November

Holly class: 28th September, 2nd November, 30th November

TBC: Visit to Leasowes Park

TBC: Visit to Blackheath town



Year 1 Autumn Term



Welcome to year 1! This is the first year your child will experience in key stage 1 and we are looking forward to taking them on the next part of their school journey. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day to help them achieve their full potential. We look forward to working in partnership with you over the coming year.

Year 1 team...

Mrs White (Hazel Class Teacher)

Miss Jenkins (Holly Class Teacher)

Miss Pitt (Higher Level Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Fawke (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Marriott (Teaching Assistant)

Miss Wilkinson (KS 1 Phase Leader)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns, we will do our best to answer your queries.

Our topic...

The theme for our Autumn Term topic is Near and Far. The topic aims to develop the children's understanding of the contrasts in the local environment and seasonal changes. The children will develop an understanding of the wider world in which they live, including countries of the United Kingdom. This will enable the children to answer our big questions 'Where would you like to go on holiday?' We do hope that you will encourage your child to research this topic at home as this will support them during their lessons.

English... This term in English we will be writing our own version of the story 'Masha and the Firebird', creating poems using our senses and

Maths... In Maths we will be developing the children's knowledge of the number system and applying this to a range of situations. We will also cover shape, time, money and data handling this term.

Science... The children will be developing their scientific skills by looking at a variety of common garden plants and animals. We will also explore the different parts of the human body.

History and Geography... In Geography we will use simple fieldwork and observational skills to explore our school grounds and local environment, along with a comparative study of an EU country with a non-EU country. In History we are going to look at changes in landscapes over time.

PE... Our PE sessions this term will focus on gym and games. We will begin by focussing on football then balance and movement.

The Arts and Technology... The children will have lots of opportunities to engage in art activities. We will be focusing on the artist Andy Goldsworthy. In Technology we will be creating our own bird feeders and firebird eggs.

RE... In RE we will be focusing on Christianity and also exploring key festivals of a range of religions. We will also be exploring the festival of light Diwali.

Computing... In Computing we will be word processing, editing and saving our work and learning how to use the internet safely to look for images.