



Show and Tell... Each week we will have a Show and Tell session, (timetable provided on Year 1 window). The children should prepare information they want to share. We encourage the children to bring in objects from home. However we ask that the objects are not too valuable or sentimental and are not toys.

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 and long hair must be tied back.

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 Friday and we expect it to be returned by the following Wednesday. There is a homework club which takes place weekly, on a Tuesday lunchtime.

Reading ... Reading books will be changed each week by an adult, 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 (this could be an older sibling if necessary).

Dates for your diary ...

Library visits:

Hazel class: 18/1/18, 15/2/18, 22/3/18

Holly class: 25/1/18, 1/3/18, 29/3/18

Visit to local Canal: TBC



Water, Water Everywhere



Year 1

Spring Term

Learning together, achieving success.



Welcome back and Happy New Year. We are really pleased with how all of the children have settled in to year one and we had an enjoyable start to the academic year, learning lots during our topic 'Near and Far'

We thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in your child's education and we look forward to continuing this with you over the coming term. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day.

Year 1 team...

Miss Jenkins- Key Stage 1 Phase Leader (Holly Class Teacher)

Mrs White (Hazel Class Teacher)

Miss Pitt (Higher Level Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Fawke (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Marriott (Teaching Assistant)

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 spring term topic is 'Water, Water Everywhere'. The topic aims to highlight why water is important and different sources of water, including ponds, canals and the sea. Through our work the children explore pond life and participate in a local history project. 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 focussing on a range of text types, including letters, poems and instructional writing based on the text, The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch. We will write for a range of purposes.

Maths... In Maths we will be continuing to develop the children's knowledge of the number system and applying this in a range of problem solving situations. We will also further our learning on shape, time, money and fractions this term.

Science... The children will be developing their scientific skills by exploring plants, common fish and the structure of fish. We will also learn about the different foods that animals eat.

History and Geography.. In our History work the children will be learning about Grace Darling and the important work carried out by the RNLI. In Geography children will explore the geographical features of seaside locations and learn how to create simple maps.

PE... Our PE sessions this term are focussed around cricket. This will be based on object control using bats and balls. During our sessions we will also be focussing on activities based around endurance.

The Arts and Technology... In Art children will have the opportunity to explore canal art and study the work of Lowry. During DT the children will be designing and making water catching machines.

RE... During our RE lessons this term will be learning about Baptism and the use of promises. Later in the term the children will explore Islam and learn about places of worship.

Computing... The children will learn to use word processing programs and safely search for pictures using the Internet. They will also learn to save and print their work using icons.