



Year 1 - Autumn Term 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the summer! I hope you and your child have had a wonderful holiday.

Mrs Wood, Mrs Peel and we are all looking forward to working with you and your child in year 1.



Below is a table of our topic headings for this term.

	Autumn1	Autumn2
Topic	Would you invite a tiger to tea? Science - Identify and name a variety of common animals, fish reptiles, birds, mammals; compare humans and animals Art & DT - portraits, masks	Why can't a meerkat live in the North Pole? Geography - identify continents, find places meerkats could/could not live Art&DT- primary colours/secondary colours using paint; warm /cold colours
English	Stories with familiar settings Poetry - senses	Non fiction - recount Instructions
Maths	Place Value Addition & Subtraction Shape	Place Value Addition & Subtraction Length & Height
Computing	E-Safety Visual media	E-safety Multimedia - sound & music
R.E./PSCHE	Myself - Christian and Hindus	
	Beginnings	Getting on and falling out
P.E.	Ball skills	Dance
Ongoing theme throughout the year	Observe seasonal changes - Autumn/Winter How do seasons impact on what we do?	

- PE will take place on Wednesday morning with Mr Clarke and Friday afternoon with Miss Gimblett. Please ensure your child has their PE kit on these days. Also please could earrings be taken out on these days.
- Homework this half term will consist of a weekly handwriting sheet and phonics work which will be handed out on Friday and should be handed in by the following Wednesday.
- Your support at home is invaluable and we would ask you to continue to hear your child read as much as possible. Please continue to record this in the Reading Record Book. Please note that all book bags have a new white/yellow name card. If your child wishes to change their book, simply turn the card to yellow. We will also stick a list of high frequency words in your child's reading record book. Please help your child practise reading these words by sight (i.e. immediate recognition, not sounding out). When we listen to your child read we will check the ability to read these words and then provide them with the next list when appropriate.
- If your child wishes to bring a water bottle, please send a named bottle in on a Monday and then they will be sent home on a Friday to be washed.

If you would like any further information on the above topics or any aspect of your child's education please do not hesitate to contact us. We are looking forward to the year ahead and we are grateful for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Fowler, Miss Gimblett, Mrs Wood & Mrs Peel.