



Year One
Class One
Autumn Term 2018

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely summer break and are now ready for the challenges of year one. In this letter we hope to inform you about what your child will be covering this term and some ideas as to how you can help your child at home.

The topics for this term is **What is the greatest superpower?** This topic is being covered across the school at age appropriate levels.

English

- Non fiction - information texts
- Pattern and Rhyme
- Forming letters correctly
- Fiction - including Supertato, Superworm, My mum is a super hero, Super Daisy,
- To read sight high frequency words,
- Learn about alphabet order.
- To continue to improve letter formation.
- To spell common words.
- To begin to use full stops and capital letters.

At home you could:

- Look together at story and non-fiction books
- Continue to practice sounds and phonic blends
- Practice letter formation and writing in sentences.
- Reading Strategies: to use some expression when reading, ask questions about what they have been reading.
- Practice spellings by children writing the word in a sentence.

Mathematics

- Reciting and counting numbers to 20.
- Ordering numbers to 20
- Adding up to 20.
- Subtraction as take away to 15.
- Money – adding sets of 1p's and paying for items.
- Comparing lengths.
- 2D and 3D shape, naming and properties.
- Following instructions for moving.

At home you could:

- Play board games.
- Find numbers in the environment – numbers on houses, cars etc.
- Find 2D and 3D shapes around the home.
- Begin to tell the time to the hour and half hour.

Science

- Materials - make super hero suits, identify materials and properties
- Seasonal change -Harvest, seasonal fruits/vegetables, and different trees
- Plants - Identifying plants which are edible and the parts we eat..
- What keeps us healthy - linked to fruit and vegetables

Computing

- Mouse and keyboard skills
- Logical reasoning - Bee bot programming
- Use technology to create using paint program

RE

- What is Harvest?
- Visiting the church and giving thanks.
- Getting ready for special celebrations.
- Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas?

Art/DT

- Make fruit kebabs.
- Design, make and evaluate making a super hero cape
- Sketching and painting different fruits and vegetables.
- Designing and making models with moving parts.
- Making clay stars.
- Painting patterns in different shades.
- Christmas craft activities

Music

- Singing songs about superheroes
- Using instruments to make different sounds
- Performing to an audience

History And Geography

- Our own history – changes in super you!!
- The life of Mary Seacole
- Where is Barrington?
- Using maps
- Seasons and weather

Physical Development

- Catching and throwing a ball
- Team games
- Parachute games

Personal Social and Emotional Development

- Beginning and belonging
- Making and following class and school rules.
- Cooperating within the class
- Setting goals
- Keeping safe and assessing risk
- Identifying trusted adults

Nativity Play (Date for the diary) Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th December at 2.00pm.

As we head into Autumn please send your child with a coat which has a hood. Even if it is raining we may still be outside. It is also important to provide your child with a water bottle every day, please only use water as this is much healthier and makes much less mess if spilt.

Homework will be given out on Wednesdays, please could it be returned by the following Monday.

We will be starting Forest school on Wednesday 26th September. We will use the woodland area just at the bottom of the school field for a range of activities linked to all areas of the curriculum. The children will need to have a coat and wellies. However, during Forest school, the children will be given waterproof overalls to keep them dry and warm. A separate letter will give more information.

Please check and make sure your child's clothes, PE kit and shoes are named, it makes it much more likely that items will be returned when they take a walk!

We welcome your support in sharing our Class One superstars. This is to celebrate your child's achievements, such as riding their bike, using a knife and fork, swimming a width of the pool, being well behaved at a family event etc. Please write their achievement on the star, cut it out and return it to school. These achievements will be celebrated in class and the stars displayed on the board in the classroom.

Finally if you have any worries or concerns please feel free to see either of us before or after school. If this is difficult for you please email or phone, if we are unavailable, leave a message and we will contact you back.



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