

# **Year 1 Bulletin**

## **Spring Term 2024**

#### **Class Teachers:**

Mrs Young & Miss Cox

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Caldwell, Mrs Barrett,
Mrs Jeff, Miss Nash.
Key Stage 1 Leader-Mrs Young

### A Message from Mrs. Young and Miss Cox Happy New Year!

Welcome back. We hope you all had a fantastic Christmas holiday and are ready for the new term. We can't wait to get started and continue our learning journey.

#### **Reading Books**

Children will continue to bring home a school reading book to read at home. Please spend 10 minutes each day listening to your child read, ask questions about the book and model reading the book to them. Please record this in the reading diary and read the comments by staff that have listened to your child read in school. Reading for pleasure is a big focus in school and will help the children achieve in so many other areas. An adult will listen to your child read once every two weeks. Over the first few weeks we will continue to assess your child's reading.

#### **PE Days**

Hedgehogs and Squirrels will have PE on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Please can the children come to school wearing their PE kit. A plain tshirt that links to their house colour, shorts, trainers and on colder days jogging bottoms and a navy or black jumper.

#### Music

In the first half term Mrs Porrett will be teaching music each week on a Tuesday morning. These lessons are very engaging and thoroughly enjoyed by the children.

#### **End of Day Collection Procedures**

Please collect your child at 3.10pm from the KS1 playground by the sails. We will walk the children onto the playground and then dismiss. Here we will hand over the children to you.

#### **Our Topic**

Our topic this half term will be 'UK and the World' and next half term it will be 'Toys'. This half term in Science we will be learning about different types of materials. In Art we will be focusing on the artist Mondrian. In Geography we will be looking at the UK and the world, focusing on capital cities. In P.E we will be focusing on gymnastics in the first half term and dance in the second half term, where we will focus on toy movements. In Computing we will be focusing on e-safety, in particular online reputation and online bullying. We will then look at computing in society. In RE we will be studying the religion of Judaism.

#### **Support at Home**

Please listen to your children read on a daily basis. As well as regular reading, please help your child with their number bonds to 10 and 20. Don't forget to have ago at Times tables Rockstars and numbots. Please come and see us if you have any questions.

#### **Forest School**

Hedgehogs will begin forest school in the first half term and this will take place on **Wednesdays**, starting on the 10th January. Please send your child in their PE kit and trainers on these days. They will also need to bring in a pair of wellies in a bag and a waterproof coat, all of which need to be clearly labelled with your child's name. The wellies can remain in school for the half term. The children will change into/out of their wellies before and after each session. Waterproof trousers would be beneficial as we will go out in all weathers.

Squirrels will have their sessions after half term. We will send out a message closer to the time to remind you of this.

#### Dojo

Please check Class Dojo on a regular basis as we will share messages and information as well as examples of the children's work via the Dojo.