

Year 1 and 2 Newsletter (Autumn B 2017)

Wonderful Year One!

The children in Year One have been getting used to being in Key Stage One. The Year One teachers are so pleased with the progress they have made so far. The children have been doing lots of their learning outside in the outdoor areas. Here are some photos of the children in action!



We would like to say a huge **Thank You** to Homebase and Barletts Automotive who donated resources for our Year One outdoor areas.



PE

In Key Stage One PE takes place twice a week for each class. Here is a reminder of the children's PE days:

	Osprey	Bats	Dolphins	Giraffes	Owls	Camels
Indoor PE	Monday	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Monday	Monday
Outdoor PE	Friday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday

Please can we ask that PE kit stays in school for the entire half term this way once the PE kit is in school your child can take part in every PE session.

This is what your child will need:

Indoor PE Kit- White T-shirt, navy shorts.

Outdoor PE Kit- White T-shirt, navy jogging bottoms, navy warm top and trainers.

Outdoor PE takes place in all weathers so it is really important that your child has these clothes to keep them warm and dry.

Your child can wear the same T-shirt for both types of PE.

Please can you also ensure that all of your child's PE kit is named.

If your child has pierced ears, please can you make sure that your child's earrings are removed on their PE days. Children with earrings cannot participate in PE.

Year One's Topic for Autumn B is **Wings, Fins, Feathers and Tails.**

Year Two's Topic for Autumn B is **Kings and Queens.**

English

Year 1-
Dear Zoo

Non-fiction texts- Dinosaurs

Instructions- Christmas.

Year 2-
Hippopotamouse
Traditional Tales

Poetry

Maths

Year 1-

Subtraction within 10.

Numbers to 20.

Year 2- We will finish our
work on Addition and
Subtraction.

We will begin a unit on
Multiplication and Division.

Science

Year 1- Animals and humans
Carnivores, herbivores,
omnivores.

Classifying animals- fish,
amphibians, mammals,
reptiles and birds.

Year 2- We will continue our
work on living things and
their habitats.

ART

Year 1- Patterns and printing.

Year 2- Portraits- Kings and
Queens

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Year 1- How and why do
people celebrate birthdays?

Year 2- Why is Christmas
important to Christians?

History

Year 1 will explore dinosaurs
and fossils.

Both year groups will also
explore lives of significant
individuals.

Year 1- Mary Anning.

Year 2- Kings and Queens.

PSHE

Both year groups will
participate in activities linked
to anti-bullying week in
November.

Year 1- Family and friends.

Year 2- Rights, rules and
responsibilities.

Computing

Year 1- Word processing
skills.

Year 2- Presentation skills.

PE

Indoor PE- Gymastics

Outdoor PE- Games
Intersport preparation

Your child will continue to learn Music through the Charanga music program.

Homework

Year Two homework will go out on Friday 3rd November 2017.

It should be returned to school on the week beginning Monday 11th December 2017.

Year Two homework requires children to choose from a menu of five activities. These activities are all linked to learning which the children have done in school. We ask that your child completes one task which should take no longer than 30 minutes. If your child wishes to complete more than one task, then they are more than welcome to do so! Homework is brought into school and shared as part of a class 'show and tell' session. Children have the opportunity to talk about their work. This is a great for children to learn from each other and a really good incentive for children to create something that they are proud of.

Year One homework will be sent out in the second part of the Summer term.

How else can I help my child at home?

Your child can access Skoolbo 24 hours per day for free from a tablet or laptop computer by logging on to www.skoolbo.co.uk. A link to this site can be found on the school website. If you have a tablet/iPad you can also download this learning program as an application in the App Store. There are some handy guides for parents on the Skoolbo website.

Please ensure you read with your child as much as you possibly can.

Talking about a book you have shared together is almost as important as the actual reading itself. Here are some quick examples of questions you might use:

Year 1

Let's look at the front cover.

What made you choose this book?

What do you think is going to happen in this book?

Do you recognise any of these characters from any other books that we have read?

Part way through the story.

What do you think is going to happen next?

Which is your favourite part of the story so far?

At the end of the story.

What was your favourite part of this book? Were there any parts you didn't like?

Did anything remind you of another book which we have shared together?

Would you tell a friend to read this book? Why?

When reading an information book.

What can this book help us to learn about?

Can you tell me something new that you learnt in this book?

Year 2

Let's look at the front cover.

Does the author give us any clues about what's going to happen in this book on the front cover?

Have we read any other books by this author/in this series before?

Part way through the story.

Has anything surprising happened so far in this story?

What do you think is going to happen to x next?

Why do you think the author chose...?

At the end of the story.

Did any parts of this book make you feel happy/sad/surprised/other emotion?

Do you think that x is going to... by the end of the story?

Do you think that the author is going to write any more stories with x in? What could happen to x next?

When reading an information book.

Can you use the contents page to show me where I can find information about...?

Can you tell me something about that you learnt in this book?