



# Year 1 Spring Term 1 Curriculum Newsletter

## READING



### English: Reading

Stick Man, Scarecrow's Wedding and Grecko's Echo.

Talk Through Stories helps children expand vocabulary, boost comprehension, and develop a love for reading by deepening their understanding of stories, characters, and events.



## WRITING

**Narrative:** 'The Way Back Home' and 'The Train Ride'. Children will continue to talk through their ideas before writing, using punctuation and remembering capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops. They will continue to join sentences with words like and, adding detail and creativity when using adjectives.

**Non - Fiction:** Ice Planet - A persuasive Leaflet. Children will learn the features of a persuasive leaflet and the different language used when writing, They will also learn the purpose of headings, subheadings, slogans and informing the reader of relevant information.

## DATES AND INFORMATION:

### Dates for this term:

21<sup>st</sup> January- PACT National Popcorn day - film

4<sup>th</sup> February- School Photos

14<sup>th</sup> February- last day of term

**PE Days: Mondays Indoors and Thursdays Outside.**

## MATHS



**Addition and subtraction to 50.**

In this unit, children will count to 50, they will learn that it is easier to count in 10s and 1s, rather than just in 1s.

**Introducing length and height.**

This unit focuses on comparing and measuring the height and length of objects using non-standard and standard units of measure.

**Introducing mass and capacity.**

In this unit, children should also understand the difference between

## SCIENCE

**Science: Exploring Everyday Materials 1**

This unit takes children through six lessons where they learn how to distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. They also learn how to identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. Finally, they learn how to compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.



## GEOGRAPHY

### The United Kingdom

This unit introduces the United Kingdom. Children will begin to name, locate and identify the countries of the UK and the surrounding seas. They will build on this knowledge when they continue studying the UK in Year 2. Children will make progress in this unit as they build knowledge of the UK and learn more about each country.



## WAYS TO HELP AT HOME:



### Sculpture and 3D: Paper Play

This term, Year 1 children will create Tree of Life sculptures using rolled, bent and twisted paper. They will make choices about shape and colour, adding patterns and details, working together to build and paint their sculptures. Children will explore different painting tools to create good coverage and a shiny, metal-like effect.

## ART

## PSHE

### Keeping Safe

This term the children will learn how important sleep is and how it lets the body rest and grow. They will also learn about staying safe online. Supporting them with identifying their feelings, and explaining simple issues of safety and responsibility about medicines and their use.



Listen to your child read their Phonics book every day.  
Practice writing numbers to 100 and the corresponding word form. Children can practice counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. Also counting forwards and backwards from any given number with 100.



## HOMEWORK

Practicing Read Write Inc. sounds, Practising Kinetic letter formation, if needed.  
Reading their books every evening

## TEXTS COVERED THIS TERM:

### Talk Through Stories

Stick Man, Scarecrow's Worry and Gecko's Echo

