

# Parent Class Letter

## Class 1



Welcome back!

It has been lovely to hear all about your summer holidays and the adventures you have all had. The children have all settled back very well. It has been great to welcome our new reception children to class 1, they have enjoyed exploring their new classroom and have fitted in perfectly. An exciting term lays ahead of us with lots of learning and fun.

Please do come and speak to us if you have any questions or concerns.

### Big Question

'How am I special?'

#### History

We will learn about toys from the past and how they compare to our toys. We will also learn about our own timeline and how we have changed.

#### Geography

We will be learning about the UK, we will look at the human physical features of the town and countryside.

#### Science

We will be learning to label the human body and the 5 senses. We will also learn about animals and how they are grouped.

#### PE

We will be exploring fitness and working on our ball skills.

#### Music

We will be learning a song, composing and sharing our opinions on different types of music.

#### Art

We will explore how Picasso used lines in his artwork and create our own portraits in his unique style.

#### DT

We will be weaving a special mat using different materials.

### Values

Truthfulness  
Responsibility  
Justice  
Perseverance  
Compassion  
Respect

### Maths

#### Reception

Matching and sorting  
Comparing  
Numbers 1,2,3

#### Year 1

Place value  
Addition  
Subtraction

### English

"The Rainbow Fish"  
"Ruby's Worry"  
Firework Night (poem)  
Santa Post

Weekend writing  
Handwriting  
Phase 2, 3, 4 and 5 phonics

## Diary Dates

20<sup>th</sup> September – Reception meeting at 4:00

21<sup>st</sup> September – Year 1 meeting at 4:00

24<sup>th</sup> September – Swell Jamboree

7<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival

21<sup>st</sup> October – Half term

13<sup>th</sup> November – Parents' evening

17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need

5<sup>th</sup> December – Parent book look

14<sup>th</sup> December – Pantomime

21<sup>st</sup> December – Nativity performance

22<sup>nd</sup> December – Last day of term

## **Parental Help**

We welcome parental help in the classroom and on school visits/trips. Please speak to a staff member if you are interested in helping.

## PE, Health and Well-being

Our PE lessons are on Tuesday afternoons.

**Children are to wear their PE kits in on Tuesdays.**

Earrings must be removed for all P.E. lessons and long hair tied back.

## Outdoor learning

Outdoor learning will be every **Tuesday** afternoon.  
Please ensure the children have wellies.

## RE

### **Reception**

Being special: Where do we belong?

### **Year 1**

Who do Christians say made the world?

## **Homework**

### **Spellings - Year 1**

Spellings will be set each week to be practised at home.  
The Spelling test will be carried out every Friday.

### **Reading – Reception and Year 1**

Reading is one of the **BEST** things you can do with your child and is part of their homework **every** night!

Please ensure that children have their reading books in school every day. Books will be changed on a Monday.