

# Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 and 2 2019



## Welcome to Year 1

We are really looking forward to getting to know your child and your family.

This term is going to be packed full of learning and adventure for your child – we cannot wait for the term ahead. Happy Learning!

Mrs Lewis and Miss Whitbread

## We will enjoy learning about...

### Term 1 – Marvellous Me!

In English we will begin the term by reading various 'Maisy' Books by Lucy Cousins to help us find out about each other, share our life experiences and explore the world around us. We will also share 'Funny Bones' and 'Avocado Baby' to support our topic about the body and keeping healthy. We will be creating stories and writing for a purpose e.g. letters, postcards and instructions. In Science we will be finding out about the human body; investigating the five senses and how to keep healthy. In geography we will be exploring our local area and learning key human and physical features; as well as mapping skills and fieldwork. We will be thinking about our own history and how we have grown. In Art and Design we will create self-portraits, as well providing the opportunity to carry out portraits of our friends, exploring various famous Artists' work to support our developing creativity.

### Term 2 – Superheroes

In English we will be reading 'Traction Man', 'Supertato' and 'Percy the Park Keeper'. This will inspire and support our learning about toys from the past, making our own dens/shelter and exploring seasonal change and the weather. Our learning in History will link to our Geography explorations, where we will be finding out about great 'Explorers' of planet Earth (Earth Heroes) for example Mary Anning. In Science and Art and Design we will begin to investigate materials and their properties; which will also support us when deciding on the best materials to use when designing and making our superhero capes and building dens in DT.

Across the Autumn Term, our maths learning will focus on place value within 10/20, counting, ordering, reading and writing numbers. It will include learning about addition and subtraction within 10, shape and measuring height and weight.

In RE we will be finding out about 'who is a Christian and what do they believe?' In PSHE we will be focusing on 'New beginnings' and 'Getting on and falling out.' In ICT we will be look at e safety and uses of IT beyond the home. During our music sessions, we will be exploring pitch and our voices, as well as rehearsing for our Nativity. In P.E. the children will take part in Multiskills sessions with Mr Castle.



## Welly Walk Wednesdays

Term 1 and 2 topics include 'Our Local Area', 'Healthy Me' and investigating the weather and seasons. We will be carrying out lots of outdoor learning; where we will explore our forest school, school grounds and St Margaret's village.

Please look out for future Parent Mail informing of our planned adventures.

Our village walks will include visiting the local library to borrow books about our current topics and interests.

Class 1 Welly Walk to St Margaret's Library

Term 1 – 11th September 2019

Term 2 - 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## KS1 Christmas Nativity

We will be performing our KS1 Nativity on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at 2.30pm



Further information to follow!

## Tuck shop

Tuck shop is on Friday mornings. Prices range from 25p to 50p. Please make sure money is in a named wallet or envelope.



## Golden Time

Golden time takes place on a Friday afternoon and is a reward for excellent behaviour in the class. Children may bring in their own toys/games. Please remember that toys can get damaged and even lost in a class environment so please - nothing too valuable or electronic.

## Just a Few Things to Remember...

- P.E with Mr Castle is on a Friday and either Monday or Tuesday with ourselves.
- Please could all uniform be labelled to avoid lost items. It is difficult to match up items of uniform to children at the end of the day if they are not named.
- Please make sure your child has a named water bottle in school. These should only contain water and needs to be taken home every day for washing and refilling.

## Home Learning

Home Learning will be handed out on a Friday and is to be returned on a Wednesday. The children are aware that it is their responsibility to put their Home Learning book in the box each week.

Please remember to date each piece of work.

We look forward to sharing your child's home learning and explorations together. We would also like to display some of their work.

## Reading Books

Your child will be given a book and a reading record to bring home and read every day. We aim to hear the children read at least once a week and have their books changed.

