



Love, Learn and
Grow

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS
Autumn Term

Class 1	Teachers: Mrs Booth	Support staff: Mrs Kambalis Miss Coombes Mrs Harrison
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English	Reading All children will continue to partake in short daily phonics sessions. We will teach Set 3 sounds and revisit Set 2. We will also continue to learn new red words so the children can read them speedily by sight. Writing As writers we will be learning how to write instructions for our very own Disgusting Sandwich. We will look at stories that take our imaginations to all different types of countries and look at what we might find there. Writing Focus Using capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks Joining sentences using a range of conjunctions (because, as when, and, but, so etc.) Using adjectives to describe nouns Grammar and Punctuation Focus Knowing how to identify the present and past tense Being able to identify nouns, verbs and adjectives Knowing which words need a capital letter Being able to use apostrophes for contracted words (can't/wasn't) and for singular possession (Zara's shoes)
Maths	As mathematicians we will be working on place value of numbers up to 20, addition and subtraction and shape.
Science	As scientists we will be looking at 'Living Things and their Habitats' as we continue to discover different species around the world and what is needed for them to survive. In our second topic we will look at materials and learn about different properties they have.

RE	As followers of Jesus, we will learn that the Bible is divided into the Old and New Testaments and explore different forms of writing, such as psalms. We will hear the story of Noah, reflect on God's promise, and think about what it means to care for the world through stewardship and Creation. We will also explore the Sacrament of Baptism, learning about its symbols and meaning as a sign of Jesus' love and welcome into the catholic family.
History	As historians we will be looking at The Great Fire of London. We will explore what caused the fire and learn all about Samuel Pepys.
Geography	As geographers we will explore Continents and Oceans. We will find out about each continent and the oceans that separate them. We will develop our map and research skills. We will also learn about weather patterns.
Art and Design Technology.	As artists we will be focusing on 'Line Drawing' and the different skills needed to create our final pieces. We will use the work of Yayoi Kusama for inspiration. In DT we will be learning how to build structures and design and build our own chairs for Baby Bear.
PE	In PE we will be focusing on awareness and mastering movement skills. We will also develop our sending and receiving skills in basketball.
Music	As musicians we will look at our singing and performance skills. We will practice rhythm and keeping in time to a steady beat.
PSHE	In PSHE we will understand the expectations for the year ahead and develop a feeling of ownership as a member of Class 1. We will look the main features of the UK government We will develop understanding of God and why we are all important to Him. We will expand our thinking Kingdom of Heaven.

Additional Information

PE

PE will be on **Wednesday** afternoons. Children can come to school dressed in their PE kit. They will stay in their PE all day. They **do not** need to bring in their uniform to get changed.

Forest School

Forest School will be **Friday** afternoons. Children can come to school wearing their forest school clothes (own clothes). Children will need wellies and waterproofs as forest school takes place in all weather.

Reading Books

Your child will be sent home with a RWI book bag book that can be changed once it has been read three times. They will also bring home a RWI story book, this will link to their RWI lessons.

Please note that the children may bring home the same book more than once, this is to help with fluency and comprehension. Children will have a reading for pleasure book that they

will get from the library on a Friday and change the following Friday. Please remember to sign your child's reading record when you hear your child read and ensure they are in their bags, along with their books, everyday so adults in school can hear them read too.

Homework

Spellings lists will be sent home at the beginning of every half term and the weekly lists stuck in blue homework books. Children are expected to learn their spellings and write them into sentences to practice their handwriting and punctuation. Please ensure these are returned to school every **Thursday**.

Children will have an Edshed and TT rockstars login stuck on the inside of their blue homework book. These are optional games for the children to play but are effective for learning and great fun too!

The homework grid is also on our website on our Class 1 page, Seesaw and will also be sent home at the beginning of each half term. Children can complete tasks and we will do a 'show and tell' for completed projects on Friday 21st November and Friday 5th December.

