



Love, Learn and Grow

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS
Spring Term

Class One	Teacher: Mrs Booth	Support staff: Mrs Kambalis and Miss Coombes
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English	Reading All children will continue to take part in a short daily phonics session to continue their reading progress. We will revisit sounds and red words so they can read them by sight. Writing As writers we will be looking at the story Vlad and the Great Fire of London by Kate Cunningham. We will look at historical narratives and write a diary entry for Samuel Pepys. 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
Maths	Following the great progress the children made last term, we will continue to teach the Y1 maths curriculum separately from the rest of the class. As mathematicians, the children will begin to explore place value within 20, before moving onto addition and subtraction. The children will then Explore numbers to 50. We will end the term by working on length, height, mass and volume.
Science	As scientists, we will look at Animals including Humans. We will develop our understanding of life cycles and explore what animals needs to survive.
RE	In RE, we will continue to learn about who Jesus is and understand how he teaches about the nature of God using stories with a hidden message, called parables, and miracles that only God could perform.
History	As historians we will learn about the Victorians and draw contrasts between life as a child in Victorian England and the life of children today

Geography	As geographers we will explore the continent of Africa, with a focus on Kenya. We will investigate the similarities and differences between the UK and Africa, and learn more about the culture of the continent.
Art and Design	As artists, will we create prints using paints with the inspiration of Andy Warhol, building on our knowledge of primary and secondary colours and printing skills.
Design Technology	As designers, we will focus on textiles and create our own money pouches. We will build on our materials knowledge from our previous science topic to create a suitable and useful design.
Computing	In computing, we will explore digital literacy to become storytellers, whilst building on the skills we have developed so far. We will also learn about E- safety and the importance of staying safe online.
PE	In PE, dance will be one of the areas of focus this term. We will develop fundamental movement skills, such as balance, agility and coordination through creative, themed activities building on confidence and teamwork.
Music	As musicians, the children will learn to play a piece on the glockenspiel with a focus on keeping a steady beat and staying in time.
PSHE	Alongside their science topic, the children will learn more about life cycles and the changes we go through in life.

Additional Information

PE Day – Wednesday

Forest School – Friday Afternoons

Reading Books

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 the children's homework books. Children are expected to learn their spellings and write them into sentences to practise their handwriting and punctuation. Please ensure these are returned to school every **Friday**.

This terms homework grid is on our Class Page on our school website, it will also be sent home at the beginning of each half term. We ask that your child completes as least **two** of the tasks by the date set on the grid.

