



Key Stage 1 Newsletter



Spring Term, 2023-24

Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break. We are looking forward to a new term with lots of new learning ahead.

Christmas Nativity

The children did a fantastic job in our Key Stage 1 nativity before the end of term. We had nearly three hundred family members come to see our play and lots of positive feedback from audience members! We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents for providing their children with costumes/outfits for our Christmas nativity and for helping them to learn their lines if they had a speaking part as well.



Curriculum and Knowledge Organisers

This term, we will be focusing on scientific and geographical knowledge and skills. Please see attached half-termly overview for each year group. This includes an outline of all teaching across the curriculum.

You will find our whole school curriculum overview on the school website.

As it is a new term, your child will be bringing home new knowledge organisers with key information and vocabulary. Please use this to help familiarise yourself with what your child will be learning in class as well as a reference for your discussions at home about their learning.

There will be optional topic homework for the term and optional weekly maths and English homework. This is provided so that you know what your child is learning about in school. Children can complete these if they wish and can share it with their class teacher for us to celebrate however there will be no written 'marking'.

Please continue to read at home - this includes your child's book band book but also library books and share other stories at home as well. Aim to read at least 3 times a week and record in Reading Records.



Dates for the Diary!



Tuesday 16th January

Science workshop in school delivered by Cambridge Science Centre.

Week Beginning 15th January

SEN Reviews

27th January - 4th February

National Storytelling week

Tuesday 6th February

Safer Internet Day

Thursday 8th February

Ollie Day Roadshow - Road safety

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

Week Beginning 18th March

Parents Evening

Week beginning 11th March

Science Week

Friday 15th March

Red Nose Day - Comic Relief

Year 2 Spring trip

Norwich Cathedral (date to be confirmed)

Year 1 Spring trip

Africa Alive (date to be confirmed)



You will find our curriculum overviews for the year on the school website.



School Uniform and Essentials

Please label **all** clothing including coats. It is amazing how similar one school jumper looks compared to another!

Children should also bring:

- coat, gloves, scarf, hat for cold/wet weather
- sun cream, hats, sunglasses for warm weather
- water bottle - filled with water, no juice/squash
- wellies for puddle days!
- full set of spare clothes including a spare pair of old trainers - include a pair of old trainers - just in case!

P.E.

Children should continue to come to school in P.E. kits. They should be dressed appropriately for the weather including jumpers and jogging bottoms as the weather gets colder. Children can also wear gloves and hats but cannot wear scarves during P.E. lessons.

Long hair must be tied up - please do this for your child in the morning or provide them with a hair band.

Children cannot wear jewellery including earrings during P.E. lessons. Please remove at home unless your child can remove their own earrings. If they are wearing earrings, they may not be able to participate fully in all or some of the lesson.



Snacks and Packed Lunches

Children are entitled to a free school meal up to the end of Year 2. They are also offered a piece of fruit each day.

If you/your child would like to bring in a different snack for Break time or packed lunch, then please make sure:

- fruit is provided for a snack
- no nuts, no prawns

Flavoured drinks (i.e. squash) are fine for lunch but no fizzy drinks.

Contact Details

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. We will reply as promptly as we can - this may not be during the school day. Class teachers should be your first point of contact.

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