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**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Welcome to the first spring term newsletter for Year One. Once again, our aim is to keep you informed of your child's learning in school so that you can best support your child at home. Support from home plays an integral part in your child's development, so please look at the curriculum areas which we will be covering and use these when choosing books to read, or when planning days out with the family. We have included key dates and information to ensure that you are fully aware of all events involving your child's learning this half term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Year One Team

# Year: 1 Term: Spring 1

## Topic: Toys

### Literacy

#### Reading

Children have been continuing to review their set 1 and 2 sounds during their Read Write Inc. sessions in order to enable them to decode words effectively. Pupils have regular opportunities to take turns reading an appropriate storybook for their reading level with their partner during their Read Write Inc. sessions. As part of a new planning format for Guided Reading, pupils in Year 1 are now able to read, discuss and answer questions about a story orally with the support of both a teacher and teaching assistant during the week. This enables pupils to develop a sound knowledge of the story.

#### Writing

This term, pupils have been able to develop their writing skills effectively throughout their English, Read Write Inc. and Guided Reading sessions. During weekly sessions of Guided Reading; pupils are able to write their answers to comprehension questions about a story book that they have been focusing on throughout the week. This helps to develop the content involved in children's writing.

### Mathematics

#### Arithmetic

Children will continue to explore number bonds within 20. They will add and subtract using 1 and 2 digit numbers. Using a range of strategies, children will learn how to answer questions using the column method/vertical addition

#### Geometry

This half term the children will engage in activities that explore 2D and 3D shapes. They will apply the correct vocabulary when describing and naming shapes.

#### Data & Measure

Using a ruler, children will measure and record in CM. They will learn about mass and compare weights in KG.

### Toys

Our topic this term is **Toys**. The children will learn about toys from around the world and the past. They will investigate how toys work and the materials that they are made of. The children will also design and make their own moving toys.

#### Science

This term for Science children will be exploring a range of materials. Children will identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock. Children will describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. Children will compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.

### PE Kits

PE kits should be in school on a Monday and be taken home on a Friday. A PE kit consists of: white T-shirt, blue shorts or leggings and black plimsolls.

### Uniform

Please ensure that ALL your child's clothes (including bags and sun hats) are clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

### Places to Visit

Childhood Museum : <http://www.vam.ac.uk/moc/>

### Dates for your Diary:

**9<sup>th</sup> February** – Last day of half term

## **Homework**

Literacy/Topic/Maths will be sent home on a Thursday and is due back the following Tuesday.

## **Useful websites:**

[www.bcbitesize.co.uk](http://www.bcbitesize.co.uk)

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk).

[www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk](http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk)

## **Reception High frequency Words**

I	go	Come	want	up
you	day	was	look	are
the	of	me	this	dog
me	like	going	big	she
and	they	my	see	on
away	mum	it	at	play
no	yes	for	a	dad
can	he	am	all	is
cat	get	said	to	in

## **Year 1 & Year 2 High Frequency Words**

has	had	an	as	bed
but	did	from	got	school
him	his	if	jump	not
of	want	one	little	there
do	off	could	put	than
that	them	then	us	when
low	new	about	another	because
by	can't	down	half	home
just	live	after	back	been
called	first	have	house	last
made	again	ball	brother	came
don't	good	her	how	laugh
make	many	much	next	old
out	seen	so	their	time
tree	who	were	may	must
night	once	over	should	some
these	too	water	what	would
more	name	now	our	people
sister	take	took	very	way
where	your	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	day
week	January	February	March	April
May	June	July	August	September
October	November	December	month	year
one	two	three	four	five
six	seven	eight	nine	ten
eleven	twelve	thirteen	fourteen	fifteen
sixteen	seventeen	eighteen	nineteen	twenty
number	red	orange	green	blue
black	white	brown	pink	purple
grey				