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Friday 22nd September

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is a pleasure to welcome you back to school. I hope you had a relaxing summer holiday, and the children are ready for the exciting year ahead! I am looking forward to getting to know your child and working with you, and their class teacher, to ensure they make excellent progress this year. The aim of this newsletter is to keep you informed of your child's learning and help you understand how you can support your child at home. If you have any questions please see your child's class teacher or myself.

Thank you,
 Mrs C Fontaine
 (Assistant Head and Phase Leader Years 1-2)

Year 1 –Autumn Term 1

Literacy

This term we will be learning to write recounts.

They will learn about the features of a recount, for example, time order, past tense: (asked, ran, shouted), time conjunctions: (after that, later, next), Powerful verbs: charged, noticed).

Children will have the opportunity to see a range of simple recounts and then used what they have learnt to write their own recounts. They will also write a recount about their visit to the Museum of Childhood

Numeracy

(Place Value)

- Count to ten, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from any given number.
- Count, read and write numbers to 10 in numerals and words.
- Given a number, identify one more or one less.
- Identify and represent numbers using objects and pictorial representations including the number line, and use the language of: equal to, more than, less than (fewer), most, least.
- Adding and subtracting numbers to 10 and beyond.

Science

Our science topic this term is: Animals including humans
 We will be learning to:

- Look at the human body and how humans might be the same/different
- Identify and label parts of the human body
- Look at a range of animals and their body parts
- Discuss similarities between animals and humans
- Discuss which animals can and cannot be kept as pets
- Look at the 5 senses and which body parts are associated with them

How you can support your child at home

Reading	Speaking & Listening	Maths
Please read with your child every day and sign their reading record. Reading daily will help to improve your child's comprehension and writing skills. Remind your child that they can still log onto Bugclub and also visit the library to borrow a range of books.	At the end of each school day ask your child to tell you what they've been learning. This helps to develop speaking and listening skills. Ask your child questions that start what, why, when, how. E.g. What was your favourite lesson today and why? Encourage them to respond in full sentences and by using the conjunction 'because', to explain their answer.	Encourage your child to read out, count and repeat numbers, for example how many apples are in the fruit bowl? Ask questions such as 'how many bananas would I have if I added one more to the fruit bowl? Or who has the most sweets? As you are walking to and from school, cooking or shopping get your child to count up to 10, 20, 50 or 100!

Topic

Our topic this term is toys. We will be learning:

- About toys from the past and present
- To sort toys into different categories
- About the different materials that toys can be made from
- To use photographic evidence to discuss a range of toys from the past

We will also visit a museum to look at a range of real toys from the past and present.

Any other information?

PE:

Our P.E. lessons are on Tuesday and each class has one other PE day

GF1-Friday

GF2- Wednesday

GF3- Thursday

Children must change out of their uniform into their full P.E. kit: Navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms, a white polo shirt, navy sweat shirt and black plimsolls.

Homework:

Homework for maths and literacy will be given out every Thursday for the children to return to school on Tuesday.

Uniform:

I would like to remind you that tights and sock must be black, navy or white only.

Dates for your diary

22nd September: Year 1 Parent Meeting

Friday 22th September: Jeans for Genes Day

Tuesday 26th September: European day of Languages

Wednesday 27th September: Year 1 educational visit to the Museum of Childhood

Friday 29th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning (come along and meet other parents & help raise money for charity)

October: Black History Month

Tuesday 3th October: Individual and family photos

Friday 20st October: Last day of Autumn 1

Saturday 21st-Sunday 29th October: Half term holiday

Monday 30st October: First day of Autumn term 2

Useful websites

www.mathszone.co.uk/

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/>

