



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to you all! We hope you have all had a wonderful Easter break. We have missed the children and have enjoyed listening to their news. We have lots of exciting things planned for the summer term.



In a couple of weeks, during the first half of Summer Term, we will begin our topic 'Who could I ring in an emergency?'. This will have a History focus and we look forward to learning about the Great Fire of London! During the second half of Summer Term our topic will be 'Would I like to live in a castle?'. This will also have a History Focus and we will be learning all about the history of castles.

Please remember to check our year group pages on the school website for information and letters.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

Year 1

Mrs Eckley-Gardner – **Assistant Head**

Mrs Hough – **SENCO**

1E – Mrs Elliott

1S – Miss Stanford

1LP – Miss Preece and Mrs Bagley

Curriculum and Topic:

English: We look forward to beginning our new scheme called 'Grammarsaurus'.

Maths: Money, Time and Place Value to 50.

Science: Plants and seasons (summer 1). Materials (summer 2)

Topic: Our topic question for Summer 1 is: Who would I ring in an emergency? Our topic question for Summer 2 is: Who I like to live in a castle?

R.E: Our R.E question for summer 1 is: What does it mean to belong to a faith community? Our R.E question for summer 2 is: How should we care for the world and for others, and why does it matter?

P.E: Dance

DT: Wheels & Axels

PSHE: Money

Computing: Coding

Homework

Reading is extremely important. It is vital that you listen to your child read and ask them questions about what they have read. Please read with your child as often as possible. Children also love to hear others read too, helping them to become expressive, fluent readers. Routines of having a bedtime story is a lovely way to support this. Fluency is a key aspect of our reading!

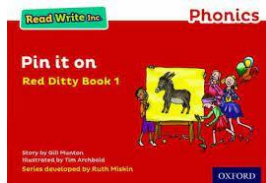
By the end of the year there are **common exception words** which the children are expected to be able to read and spell accurately. These are available on the school website for you to practise with your child. Children will have a phonics screening test in Summer term.

The children will now be expected to begin writing 'pre-cursive' letters when writing. Children will have handwriting sessions that will focus on this.

We will also set homework challenges to complete (throughout the term). These tasks will link to our subjects in school. Look out for your child's new challenges in their book bags.

Reading

We are continually assessing your child's reading and phonic knowledge.



Children should be bringing their book bag to school every day.

The books will be changed regularly (according to their phonic group – usually Monday, Wednesday and Friday).

Please read as often as possible with your children.

Physical Education (P.E.)

Please ensure your children bring in their labelled PE kits at the start of each half term. We will send their kit home at the end of each half term to be washed.

Earrings are required to be taken out or covered over with tape on PE days.

1E PE – Thursdays

1S PE – Wednesdays

1LP PE - Thursdays



Reminders

It is important to ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. This includes coats, **jumpers**, PE kits, book bags and lunch-bags. We are still finding many jumpers unnamed and it is quite tricky to get them back to the correct owners.



Dates for your Diary

Dates	Events
Monday 8 th April	Back to school
Monday 6 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 26 th May	Last day of half term
Half Term (Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May)	
Monday 3 rd June	Year 1 Sports Day
Monday 10 th - Friday 14 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks
Monday 1 st July – Friday 5 th July	Carnival Week
Friday 19 th July	Last day of term!
Dates to be confirmed for the summer term	
School fete Visit from the fire engine! Trip to the castle!	

Many thanks,

The Year 1 Team