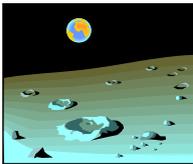


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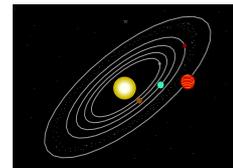
Information for Parents
Summer Term 2017
Year 1

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the summer term. Here are some of the things your child will be learning about this term. Attached is a timetable so that you know when things are happening. Please look at this as some activities have changed days.



Space



Our first topic this term will be 'Space', we will be learning about planet Earth and other planets in the solar system and will also look at the first landing on the moon. There will be a focus on stories such as 'The Aliens are Coming' and 'Aliens in Underpants Save the World'. If your child has any stories based around the space theme, they are welcome to bring them into school for story time. We will be continuing to learn about the seasons and will be exploring the school grounds to look at how the environment changes from spring to summer.



Percy the park keeper



In our second topic, "Percy the park keeper", we will be visiting the local park and thinking about what is in the park and how people use the park. We will be sharing some Percy stories, so if your child has any books about Percy the park keeper they are welcome to bring them into school for story time. In art, we will be looking at the work of Andy Goldsworthy and the children will be making their own sculptures using natural materials we have collected from the park and from the school grounds. Children will also be designing and making their own scarecrows. In science the children will be learning to name some plants and will be investigating what plants need to help them to grow.

Numeracy

The children will continue to:

- Count forwards and backwards to 100.
- Recognise odd and even numbers to 20.
- Identify halves and quarters of objects, shapes and quantities.
- Count in steps of 2, 5 and 10.
- Know and use addition and subtraction facts to 20.
- Solve simple problems involving multiplication and division.
- Understand what two-digit numbers represent and partition them into tens and ones.
- Recognise and use coins of different values to 20p, making totals, giving change and exchanging coins.

Physical activities

Physical activities this term include gymnastics and athletics. We cannot stress enough how important it is for your child to have their PA kit in school all week, complete with appropriate foot wear and **fully named**. We would like to remind you that, in the interests of safety, earrings must be removed or covered during PA lessons and long hair should be tied back.



With the warmer weather approaching, could you please make sure that jumpers and cardigans are clearly labelled and provide a **named bottle** for water in school. You may wish to provide your child with a sun hat and sun cream (which they need to apply to themselves).



Class Bears



The class bears have already enjoyed a variety of trips and are looking forward to their next visits and holidays with your children. Thank you to those parents and children who have already shared their holiday memories with the class. We are looking forward to hearing about the bears' next adventures.

Supporting learning at home.

Each week your child will bring home a homework book. Please use this book to record each time your child reads at home. In addition to this they will be given some counting homework to do each week. Please also continue to practise the number bonds and times tables at home. To support your child further at home you could also play games such as pairs e.g. with pairs of numbers to 10 and then up to 20, finding odd and even numbers, playing shops using real money or looking for shapes around the house and describing them.

If you have any questions about the subjects that your child will be learning or any other queries, please do not hesitate to come in and see us - we are available most days after school and can usually be found on the playground at 3.15. If you would like to make an appointment to see us, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Jackie Cox

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