



Year 1 – Summer Term Newsletter

Friday 27th April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers'

Welcome to the third and final term of Year 1. Time goes so quickly, it's hard to believe the children are 1 term away from Year 2. Although it is the final term, there is much to do!

Please see the curriculum map for the programme of study the children will be following over the summer term.

Reading

We will continue to listen to children read in school, with the aim of listening to each child read at least once a week. Please can I ask you to listen to your child read at least 2 to 3 times a week and sign/ comment in their Reading Record.

Every effort is made to change reading books as your child completes their books. School is an incredibly busy place with many demands on time and on occasions this may not happen. If you have any queries or concerns about your child's reading books being changed or any other concerns, please contact me in person.

Homework

Homework will be tailored to meet your child's individual needs.

This half term there is a focus on reading real and nonsense words in preparation for the Year 1 Phonics Screening test.

Non-fiction books will continue to be sent home, please see information sheet in your child's reading diary.

Homework will be sent home on a Friday to be returned the following Wednesday.

Please ensure your child's full PE kit is labelled and your child has a suitable PE bag. Also please provide a named cap and water bottle for the warmer weather.

Dates for your diary

Sunday 29th April 2018 Year 6 Sacrament of Confirmation - 9.15am Mass

Tuesday 1st May (9.15am) - Whole School Mass

Thursday 10th May 2018 (9.15am) -Mass for The Ascension (Holy Day of Obligation)

Friday 25th May 2018 Teacher Training Day

Saturday 9th June 2018 (4.30pm) Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 10th June 2018 (9.30am) Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 10th June 2018 (11.15am) Sacrament of Holy Communion

Tuesday 24th July 2018 Last day of term

Phonics Screening

Year 1 Phonics Screening will take place week beginning Monday 11th June 2018. More information will follow next week, check your child's reading bag.

Year 1 is transitional year for the children. They move from play based learning in Foundation Stage to the more structured and formal approach to learning in Year 1. This is a huge change for the children bringing about many challenges and rewards. There are many demands on the children to become more independent, show skills of listening, following instructions and working independently. All of these changes as well as learning take time, but the children have coped brilliantly. We now see 30 individual characters developing their skills of thinking and learning.

Please contact me in person if you have any concerns.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs McGovern, Mrs Atwal & Miss McGaffney

Summer Term curriculum

The table below gives an overview of the different units/themes that will be covered in Year 1 this term.

RE	English	Maths	Science	Geography	Art & D & T	PE
Easter	Non-Fiction Books	Geometric Reasoning	Plants	My World - Study of the United Kingdom	Printing	Dance from around the World
Pentecost	Poetry				Use manmade and natural materials to print with.	Wednesday pm – Mrs Cooke
Sharing Jesus' Life	Correspondence Writing	Number Sense	Study of Seasonal Changes		Repeating patterns and whole pictures.	Tee Ball and Games – Mr Youson
Following Jesus Today	Grammar and Punctuation	Multiplicative Reasoning.			Rubbings.	Thursday pm
	Reading comprehension				Intro to relief printing – string blocks/Styrofoam blocks.	
	Spelling Rules					