

Welcome back to school! We hope you have all had a lovely summer.

In maths we will be exploring place value (within 10), addition and subtraction (within 10) and 2D and 3D shapes.

This half term we will be carrying on with our Drawing Club during our English lessons. We will be developing our sentence structure and using our phonics knowledge to spell words. Daily phonics lessons will begin for everyone to support reading and writing. Spellings will start and these will be sent home. Our Core Text this half term is The Three Little Wolves and The Big Bad Pig by Eugène Ionesco.

In geography we will be focusing on Our Local Area including our school and Newport Pagnell. We will be learning about different local places and looking at simple maps.

In DT we will be constructing windmills and looking at mechanisms within moving storybooks.

In science we will be exploring seasonal changes and exploring weather patterns. This is a great opportunity to talk about the weather in different seasons and noticing how weather can change throughout the day.

We will also be doing RE, PE, PSHE, computing and music (in our new Music room)!

Here are some things you might want to do at home:

- Look at the fruits and vegetables on offer in the supermarket or greengrocers and if you are able to, taste something new

We always enjoy seeing and hearing what you have been up to outside of school!

Homework

In the coming weeks we will begin to set homework. The expectations are:

Year 1

- Reading with your child daily
- Fortnightly maths and English activities related to learning

Your child will change their phonics book on a **Monday ONLY** at the start of the day. They will not need to change them at any other time. Please send library books into school on a **Wednesday (both classes)**.

Important information

Don't forget, that every day the children need: a re-fillable water bottle, book bag to hold their reading record, spelling book and reading book and their lunch box (if they are not having school dinners).

PE Days

Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit (they do not need their school uniform to change back into). Long hair should be tied up and no jewellery should be worn – including earrings. Ears that have been recently pierced where earrings cannot be removed will need to be covered.

As a reminder our PE kit is:

- Plain black shorts
- Royal blue polo shirt with or without school logo
- Royal blue hoodie with or without school logo
- Black tracksuit bottoms (colder weather)
- Trainers (not plimsolls)

We will have PE on the following days:

Panda Bears – Thursday and Friday

Polar Bears - Monday and Thursday

The teachers in Year 1 are:

Miss Turner (Panda Bear teacher)

Mrs Braham/Mrs Jones (Polar Bear teachers)

The adults supporting in Year 1 are:

Mrs C James

Mrs S Hall