Welcome back!

In Maths, we will continue to focus on place value (within 10), addition and subtraction (within 10) and 2D and 3D shapes.

This half term our English lessons will focus on grammar and sentence construction as we continue with Drawing Club. Daily phonics lessons will continue for everyone to support reading and writing. Spellings will continue each week, and these will be sent home. Please return spelling books every **Monday**. Our core text will be Rabbit and Bear by Julian Gough and Jim Field.

In History, we are asking 'How am I making history?'. We will be finding out about the past within living memory and we will be beginning to look at a simple timeline extending back to before we were born.

In Art we will be exploring mark making and line as well as working and experimenting with different materials through observational and collaborative pieces.

In Science we will be identifying and naming objects and the materials from which they are made. We will compare and group materials based on how they look and feel and carry out tests to sort materials based on unobservable properties

Our RE question is 'What do some people believe God looks like?'. We will be celebrating differences in PHSE and exploring tempo in our music sessions. Our PE unit is called walk on the wild side and we will be focusing on our dance skills.

Homework

The expectations are:

Year 1

- Reading with your child daily
- Weekly spellings
- Fortnightly Maths and English activities related to learning (this will be given out on a Thursday and should be handed in on the following Tuesday

Your child will change their phonics book on a **Monday ONLY**. They will not need to change them at any other time. Please ensure yellow reading record books and phonics books are returned **every day**.

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.

We will have PE on the following days: Panda Bears – Tuesday and Wednesday

Polar Bears - Monday and Wednesday

The teachers in Year 1 are:

- Miss Turner (Panda Bear teacher)
- Mrs Braham/Mrs Jones (Polar Bear teachers)
- Mrs B James (Phase 1 Leader)

The adults supporting in Year 1 are:

- Mrs Hall
- Mrs C James
- Mrs Woods
- Ms Corbett