

YEAR 1 SPRING CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2016

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"Happy together in God's family,
we love, grow and learn."

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had a wonderful and restful Christmas holiday and are now ready for a busy half term ahead.

Thank you so much for the generous gifts and the many Christmas cards you sent, they were all greatly appreciated. This newsletter aims to inform you of the Year 1 curriculum for the forthcoming half term and any important routines or dates. Year 1 will be preparing for their class assembly this half term



so please support them with any lines that might be sent home.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask!

Miss O'Hara

Important Days

Monday:

Hand in homework.

Reading books changed.

Wednesday:

PE Kit required

Thursday

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Friday:

Reading books changed

Spelling test

Homework given.

Important Dates

- 10th February—Non-Uniform day, bring a book for the library
- 10th February— School closes
- 23rd February— Year 1 Class assembly.

Year 1 Topics

In our "Theme" we will be looking at Africa plus the 7 Continents and surrounding Oceans.

Families & Celebrations in RE: How do members of a family show love to one another? How do you become part of God's family? What do the people in God's family do? How many people are in God's family? How does God look after them all? Why do people go to church? What happens at church?

In Literacy we will be reading a variety of Non-Fiction books including Who Lives Here? What is a Non-Fiction book? What features do they have?

In Maths we will be looking at place value using our Tens and Ones. We will be working on measurement including length, weight and mass.

We will be learning about "Everyday Materials" in Science: What materials do you know? What is this object made out of? What words can you use to describe things made out of metal? Why are windows made out of glass? What material would you make an umbrella out of? Why?

Homework

Reading: Year 1 children are expected to read for 10 mins per night. Books are changed by Mrs Charles on Mondays and Fridays and will be sent home on these days. If you listen to your child read, please feel free to add your initials and any comment.

Spellings: Children will be given a set of spellings (up to 8 words) each Monday to be brought home and practice. We will be using the spellings in many different ways throughout the week to aid learning. The children will be tested each Friday.

Written Homework: This will be given out on a Friday to be returned on Monday. This task should take about 20 minutes and is completed in a homework book. There will be a balance of Literacy, Numeracy and topic work throughout the year.



There has been lots of children getting their Mathletics certificates so keep up the good work!

Bug Club will be updated with new activities and books to read. If you have misplaced any of your login details just let me know.

Parental Assistance

Please can you :

*Support your child with their homework.

*Read together as a family.

*Working on our numbers— 2's, 5's and 10's

* Ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day.



Home Access

Remember to log onto Bug Club for extra reading and writing activities.



For Maths fun, use Mathletics and the White Rose Maths Hub.



School meal choices can be found at;

<http://www.stmaryshorsforth.org/page.php?id=1676>

