



Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our 'Welcome to Year 1' session, giving an outline of some of our learning over this term and how to continue to support your child over the year. Please see below a brief outline of this term's learning!

### **General Overview of the Term's Learning**

Here's a brief overview of what to expect this term in Year 1:

- **English:** Our key texts to support our English this half term are; Peace at Last, I Want My Hat Back and Lubna and the Pebble.
- **Maths:** This term's maths curriculum will include Place Value within 10, Addition and Subtraction within 10 and Shape.
- **Science:** We will be learning about; Seasons, Weather, Day and Night, Plants and Animals, including Humans.
- **History/Geography:** In Geography, we will be looking at 'Continents, Oceans and UK Countries' and in History we will be looking at 'Changes within Living Memory'.
- **Art/DT:** This term we will be focusing on Spirals in Art and Puppets in DT.
- **Music:** Our lessons will help us learn about time signatures, rhythmic patterns, melodic patterns and improvising and composing music.
- **PE:** In PE, we will be learning Games for Understanding, Ball Skills: Feet and Gymnastics: Wide, Narrow, Curled.
- **Computing:** This term we will look at eSafety and how we stay safe online. We will also look at improving our mouse skills.
- **RE:** In RE we will be thinking about what it means to belong to a faith community.
- **Life Skills:** This term we will focus on Keeping/Staying Healthy, Keeping/Staying Safe and Relationships.

### **PE Day**

Physical activity is a vital part of our students' development. PE day for Year 1 will be on **Mondays** and **Tuesdays**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days, ready to participate in a variety of sports and fitness activities.

### **Home learning**

This year we are focusing on reading as our required priority homework. Therefore, we request that all children read their school reading book every night and get their reading records signed by a parent/carer/older sibling. Further information on this will be shared at our open afternoon on phonics and reading.

We are also having a focus on our number formation this half term. Please use the materials provided in your packs to support your child in forming their numbers correctly.

### **Healthy Snacks and Hydration**

We strongly encourage children to bring healthy snacks for break time that will keep them energised and focused throughout the school day. Please remember no nuts or nut products for snacks or in your child's lunchbox. In addition, it is important that children bring a water bottle to school each day. We kindly request that only water is provided in these bottles.

### **Library Change**

Our Library slot is on a Tuesday afternoon, please ensure that your child brings their Library book into school on this day, so they can exchange it for a new one.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out, or get in contact with the school office.

Kind regards,  
Year 1 teachers