



Year 1 news!



I hope you have had a lovely time over the half term break, the children have certainly returned to school keen to continue their learning journey. I am delighted with the effort and attitude of all the children, and we are looking forward to spending the next few weeks preparing for the move into year 2.

Topics for Summer Term

Our topic for this half term is 'Who were the Ancient Greeks?' As geographers we will be looking at the location of Greece. We will be using geographical vocabulary to describe what we have learnt.

As historians we will be looking at the history of Ancient Greece, and the importance of the Ancient Greek Olympics.

In design and technology we will be designing and making Rio Carnival bracelets, for our own Rio themed Olympics.

The science theme for this half term is 'Animals including humans'. The children will use their observational skills to identify different body parts, and compare different types of animals.

During this half term we will be reading a wide range of stories in literacy lessons. We will be exploring the characters and settings from the different stories. The children will be asked to create their own characters and write their own stories. Children will continue to take part in phonics lessons every day.

In numeracy lessons the children will continue to build on their number skills. Please help your child with their number bonds to 20. E.g. $19 + 1 = 20$, $5 + 15 = 20$, $17 + 3 = 20$. It is vital that they know these as we prepare for the move to year 2.

And finally...

Please feel free to come into school at the end of the day to discuss any concerns with myself or Mrs Mathers.

Helpful Reminders...

- The children will be doing **PE** on **Monday** or **Thursday**. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school and that all items are clearly labelled with their name.
- Any letters or reply slips which need to be returned to school can be put into your child's book bag. The children are encouraged to check their book bags each morning and give things in during registration.
- Reading books will be changed every Monday and Thursday. You should encourage your child to read at home every day. Please ensure that your child's reading log is signed. We would like each child to put their reading book in the blue tray once the book has been read. This tray is clearly labelled and is kept in the cloakroom.
- Homework will be given when it is appropriate to the topic.
- Please let the school office know if your contact details have changed during the holiday.