

Year 1 Class Newsletter

Friday 10th November 2017



Important Dates:

Cherry Class PE: Tuesdays

Cherry Class swimming: Wednesdays

Hazel Class PE: Wednesdays

Hazel Class swimming: Thursdays



We have had a wonderful time using 'The Magic Porridge Pot' as a starting point for our writing. We have made porridge and tried it with several different toppings. Every child has even made their own magic pot using clay and decided what their pot produces. We are currently working on our own storybooks about the Magic Porridge Pot, which will go in our reading areas.

In Phonics we are working on segmenting (breaking words down into each sound eg: cat becomes c-a-t) and blending (putting the sounds together to read eg: c-a-t becomes cat) words when reading and spelling. We are especially reviewing the phonemes (letter sounds) made by trigraphs (three letters making one sound) /air/ as in hair, /ear/ as in beard, /ure/ as in pure and /igh/ as in light . Please make sure that you are practising with your child at home using the sound mats you were given at parent / carer consultations. During our phonics session we make sure the children are forming their letters correctly, including the ascenders, descenders and capital letters.

In Maths we have been learning about 3d shapes. We can describe and name them using the terms face, edge and vertices. We have also worked on comparing them to 2D shapes. Next week we will be working on measuring mass, using the vocabulary lighter and heavier.



At home you could:

- ☺ Practise reading and spelling the words on our Year 1 word list.
- ☺ Play games using the sound mats.
- ☺ Go on phonicsplay.co.uk and choose some of the free games
- ☺ Practise counting forwards and backwards and in 2s, 5s and 10s.
- ☺ Practise recognising numbers.
- ☺ Read as much as possible with your child, encouraging them to use the sound mat to assist their independent reading.

