

Year 1 Class Newsletter

Monday 27th November 2017



Important Dates:

Cherry Class PE: Mondays

Hazel Class PE: Wednesdays

Swimming has now finished until the Spring Term



We have been learning a poem about the Magic Porridge Pot. We all had a go at adapting the poem to write our own versions and we will be writing them this week. Our final piece of English work before Christmas will be to write a persuasive text.

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 tens and ones. We have learnt some exciting new songs to help us remember how many tens and how many ones a two digit number has. We have even acted out being the tens and ones with our bodies!



In Science, we have been learning about the characteristics of different animals and what they eat. We are going to start learning about food chains this week and it will also involve some drama and art!

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.