

Year 1 Newsletter

Spring Term 2020



We hope you have a lovely Christmas and New Year and will then be ready for a brand new term! We have got lots of exciting things happening and look forward to seeing you when we come back.

Topic

Next half term our topic is based on the question;

'What does it mean to belong?'

We will be exploring this topic to answer our three key questions;

What communities and groups do we belong to?

Does everyone feel like they belong somewhere?

How can we help people to feel like they belong?



In Literacy, we will be looking at a range of traditional and modern fairy tales such as 'The Ugly Duckling' and 'The Three Little Pigs.' We will be testing out our drama skills by acting out some of our favourite scenes and using this to help us re-tell them. We are now working on making our writing more interesting with adjectives to describe and conjunctions to link our ideas together. Additionally, we will spend time looking at different characters and settings for stories.

As part of our topic learning, we are hoping to make links with a local library and share some artwork that we have created in school. We will be thinking about the theme of belonging when creating our masterpieces.

PE

Children must have their **P.E. kits** in school from Monday to Friday as we will be taking every opportunity to take learning outside (weather permitting). Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday.

Just a reminder of what to bring:

Indoor kit should include: t-shirt, shorts and pumps.

Outdoor kit should include: t-shirt, jogging bottoms and jumper and trainers.

Home Learning

As we know, we all want to enjoy the Christmas break. So home learning this holiday will simply be to enjoy sharing some of your favourite fairy tales together. If you would like to draw and write about your favourite Fairytale we would love to share your work in school.

Please continue to read books at home and keep practising the words on those rockets! One thing that everyone can do at home to improve comprehension is to retell the stories you are reading to an adult in as much detail as possible.

Reminders

- ⇒ Please ensure children only bring **water** in their water bottles as they will not be able to consume anything else during learning time.
- ⇒ Children must bring their **book bags** to school each day
- ⇒ Children should only bring a **healthy snack** for playtimes preferably with their name on. These will be kept in the healthy snack tray.
- ⇒ All uniform, PE kits, PE bags, water bottles, lunch boxes and book bags should have children's **names** clearly printed somewhere on them.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any worries at all. We will welcome you in at any time, however if the issue is not urgent we will have much more time to give you at the end of the day.

Thank you for your on-going support,

Miss Salisbury, Miss Heath and Miss Hilton.