

# Year One Curriculum Newsletter

## Autumn Term 1

Welcome to Year 1! We hope you all had an enjoyable and restful holiday. We have lots of exciting and interesting learning opportunities planned for you this year, beginning with our topic 'Weather Watchers'. We will continue to develop the children's independence through their child led learning alongside focus guided activities. This will be supported by myself, our Year 1 teaching assistants—Mrs Daniels, Ms Kelly, Ms McMahon & Mrs McCullough—and Mrs Kadiu on a Thursday.

Please do continue to read every day with your child and enjoy talking about the book together. Children will bring home their learning logs on a Friday; to then be returned on the following Thursday.

### English

We will be:

- Enjoying listening to a variety of stories, rhymes, songs and poems.
- Consolidating our Phase 3 phonic knowledge.
- Composing sentences aloud before writing them.
- Developing our skills to use capital letters, full stops and finger spaces in sentences.

### Maths

We will be:

- Developing our accurate counting skills.
- Learning to make teen numbers with apparatus.
- Ordering, comparing and finding more/less than a given number.
- Adding numbers by counting on and subtracting numbers by counting back.
- Using +, - and = to write our number sentences.
- Solving problems with money.

### Topic

As we begin Year 1 the children will become Weather Watchers and will be exploring different types of weather and the seasons. The children will make their own equipment to measure the weather. Through this topic the children will also be developing an awareness of the past by finding out about a famous person who braved stormy weather.

We shall be learning about Christianity and finding out what Christians believe God is like. Through our PE sessions we will continue to develop basic skills when throwing and catching as well developing our co-ordination in gymnastics. The children will continue to have the opportunity to explore our wonderful Woodland area each week.

We will be able to provide you with further information about your child's learning at our Curriculum Information Evening on Thursday 13th September. If you have anything that may be helpful for our topic, we would love for your child to share this with us.

Please remember if you have any questions or worries throughout the year do feel free to pop a note in your child's contact book or come to talk to us at the end of the day.

Miss Durrant and the Year 1 Team