

A big welcome back to the 1st half of the Autumn term. This promises to be a very exciting and busy half-term.



# A useful reminder:

PE days are Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

We are very excited about getting to know the children better and look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure your children have the best start to Year 1.

Mrs Campbell and Mrs Fuller



#### Literacy

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In phonics we will be assessing where the children are and recapping (phases 2 and 3) previous learning whilst ensuring the children who are ready can move on to new sounds. We support the children to apply their phonic knowledge in their reading and writing.

The children will be encouraged to create their own stories, narrate and act them out as a class. They will focus on sharing their ideas out loud with peers and teachers.

## <u>History</u>

We will encourage the children to share historical events in their lives encouraging the use of language past and present tense. In October we will celebrate Black History Month discussing lives of significant

Science

We will explore properties of materials in

our environment, comparing and grouping

them. We will also find out about sound.

### <u>Geography</u>

We will look at our family links with different places and countries locating these on a world map. We will introduce the 7 continents and 5 oceans. Please send or email any relevant photos.

We will explore numbers within 10 counting accurately, recognising images and begin to use apparatus to solve simple equations. We will use the language of: equal to, more than, less than (fewer), most and least. We will represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts within 10.

Maths

## PHSE

We will be settling in our new class and becoming secure in the routines. There will be lots of opportunities to play small group games and re-establish relationships with class friends and teachers.

<u>Art and Design</u> In art the children will be exploring colour and finding out about a famous artist. <u>Physical Development</u> In PE we will be exploring dance using simple movements and patterns. We will also be practising our throwing and catching skills. Please could your child have a PE kit in daily. Just to remind you that the children need shorts and a t-shirt in the colour of their team, and that their clothes need to be labelled with their names. Earrings <u>should not</u> be worn on PE days and long hair needs to be tied back.

On a Wednesday morning Mrs Evans will cover Year 1 for an hour.

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#### ICT

We will be exploring ICT in the environment making sure we use the equipment appropriately and safely.

<u>RE</u> In RE we will look at what Christians think God is like and celebrate Harvest.