

Summer Curriculum Newsletter

Year 1

Hello! Welcome back to Year One! We hope that you have all had a lovely Easter break. As ever, if you have any questions, please feel free to speak to us after school, or send an email to the office and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Miss Rushton and I are looking forward to working in partnership again with you this term!

Thank you
Mr M Townley

Communication

All school information will be shared with parents / carers via the following methods:

- All communication, messages, letters etc will be sent to you via the MCAS app ('My Child at School' communication app).
- A monthly Head Teacher's newsletter (via MCAS).
- Termly class newsletter (via MCAS).
- Reminders via the information board outside, near the classroom door.
- **School Dates for Diary can be found within the calendar on the school's website.**
- Facebook page.

Key Information

Classroom doors open at 8:40am. Thank you to parents / carers who ensure your child arrives for 8:40am, as this ensures a settled start to the day. The classroom door will be closed after the second bell at 8:45am. Your child will receive a late mark if they are not in class by this time for registration.

All children should come to school with:

- **A labelled water bottle**
- **Wildlife kits in a named bag** (only waterproofs and wellies needed). Our Wildlife day is still on a Wednesday.
- **A healthy snack for morning playtime.** Fruit is provided in school.
- **The children will need to bring their P.E. kit into school and it will be sent home at half term.** A full P.E. kit consists of black shorts / black tracksuit, red t-shirt and black trainers with a **plain black hoodie or zippy**. Please ensure your child's PE kit is sent into school ASAP if it is not already in school. Thank you.
- **Children are also expected to wear full school uniform and school shoes every day.**

Homework

Homework will generally consist of practical activities and not written work. It will consist of reading, a Maths activity and a weekly list of words to focus on for reading and spelling. Homework will be given out on a Friday.

Start and End of Day

Please could you ensure that children are not riding their bicycles or scooters on the playground before or after school and that they do not go on the climbing frames. Many thanks for your help.

Phonics Screening Check

The children will be completing the Phonics Screening Check during the week of 8th June 2026. If you are aware of any reason your child will not be in school between 8th and 12th June, please let us know as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding the Screening Check or would like any additional resources, please do not hesitate to come and speak to Mr Townley.

Reading

Reading at Home! Please ensure that your child brings their reading diary into school every day. We do not have a set day for changing books so when your child is ready to change their books, there is a box in class to place it in. If your child reads 4 or more times in a week, they will get a reading treat in school on a Friday afternoon. Please read with your child as much as possible as it really does help them to become fluent readers and develop a love of books and reading. In addition to this, the children will be able to choose another book to bring home. They might not be able to read this independently but can be shared with an adult to further encourage a love for reading.

Amazing Reads and our Amazing Authors! Each half term we have a featured author. Our 'Amazing Author' for our next term will be Oliver Jeffers. We also have a list of our 'Year One's Amazing Reads'. A copy of this can be found at the end of the Autumn newsletter. These are quality texts that previous children in Year 1 have particularly enjoyed. During this term, we will have a high focus on sharing the rest of these with the children.

Our curriculum learning this term

English

In English, we will be learning to:

- Retell and innovate stories and poems
- Write captions and several, longer sentences
- Write in different genres, such as instructions, character descriptions and stories
- Find words that mean the same
- Use finger spaces, capital letters and full stops
- Begin to look at question marks

Maths

In Maths, we will be learning to:

- Identify equal and unequal groups
- Count equal groups
- Share objects equally between groups
- Identify fractions (halves and quarters)
- Identify and count money
- Measure time

Geography

In Geography, we will be learning to:

- Name and locate the world's seven continents
- Find the hot and cold areas of the world
- Name human and physical features on the world's seven continents
- Create an aerial map of the school site
- Name the seasons and daily weather patterns of the U.K.

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning to:

- Log onto the computer safely
- Begin to type simple sentences
- Save our work
- Use a computer safely

History

R.E. and P.S.H.E.

In History, we will be learning to:

- Ask questions to find out about the past
- Compare toys from the past to modern day toys
- Compare games we play to games children played in the past
- Make a timeline
- Sort pictures and objects and places in time order on a timeline

In R.E., we will be focusing on Judaism.

We will be looking at the key question:

- Who is Jewish and how do they live?

In P.S.H.E., we follow the JIGSAW learning scheme. We will be looking at:

- Relationships (Summer A)
- Changing Me (Summer B)

Science

In Science, we will be learning about Plants and Seasonal Changes. These will be our key questions:

Plants:

How can we sort leaves, seeds and flowers that we have collected on our walk? Do all plants in our local area look the same? What type of plant grows the quickest? Do taller trees have the bigger leaves?

Seasonal Changes:

In what season does it rain the most? Is outdoors the same every season? How long is a day?

Events Coming Up

We have some exciting events coming up in school this term.

Please check our **School Website regularly** to ensure you are aware of the events coming up. **Click the blue link below to visit our Events Calendar:**

[Events calendar – Eatock Primary School](#)

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr M Townley.