

YEAR 1 SUMMER 2

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2021

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the holidays! I hope you had a lovely week off and have had lots of fun enjoying the beautiful sunshine. I can't believe we are into our final half term, the busiest half term of them all! The children have lots of lovely activities planned this half term. The catch-up sessions will continue this half term with a focus on phonics.

In English this half term the children will be focusing on the film clip 'The Clock Towers' where they will be using all the skills, they have learnt throughout the year to write a setting description and a narrative. With such an exciting half term and lots of events to look forward to, the children will write a recount, retelling events such as what they got up to in health week. A big focus this half term, will be on the children being able to proofread their writing and be able to make corrections independently. We will continue to have a grammar focus each week and will focus on specific areas of year 1 grammar.

In phonics this half term, the children will be recapping all phase 2, 3 and 5 phonemes and graphemes as well as continuing to practice all Year One common exception words and phase 2,3,4 and 5 tricky words. Each week our focus will be to implement our phonics into helping us spell accurately when writing, the weekly spelling test will continue to align with our weekly phonics. Please continue to use the spelling books to practise your child's weekly spellings as this really supports their confidence and learning in school. At the end of Summer 1 your child sat a test on their Year One common exception words which shows the words that your child needs to learn, these are in their spelling books. Please continue to look over these regularly especially the ones they are unsure of. Many of the children already know all the Year One common exception words, which is fantastic! Please begin to look over the Year 2 spellings which are in their spellings book.

We will continue to do our guided reading sessions in school to develop the children's reading skills. The children will continue to build on their fluency, expression and tone when reading aloud. Please continue to read frequently with your child at home, as well as asking them a range of questions about the story. We recommend that your child reads for a minimum of 10 minutes per day, reading out loud to an adult as this will really help your child's fluency.

In maths this half term, we will start by looking at place value to 100 and will continue to consolidate their knowledge of place value and tens and ones. They will also be tackling lots of problems linked to money so talking about the value of coins at home with your child would be extremely helpful for them. Lastly, the children will be learning about time, they will learn to tell the time at half past and o'clock. I will continue to send home the mental maths focuses as and when it is necessary, please practise this concept with your child ready for their mental maths tests in school.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please visit our website to see our knowledge organisers.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,

Miss Roberts

Important Days

Reading books:

Please return by **Monday** so they can be changed.

Thursday:

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

Friday:

Spelling test – please bring in spelling books.

Important Dates

Monday 14th June

Health week – children to wear sportswear all week

Thursday 24th June

Year 1 class assembly – 9:30am

Friday 25th June

Sports day – 2.00pm

Tuesday 29th June

Whole School Mass – 11.00 led by Y6

Thursday 1st July

Mini Vinnie and School council cake sale for CAFOD

Friday 2nd July

Kings and Queens dress up day

Friday 9th July

Reports to parents

Friday 9th / 12th July

Moving up morning

Friday 9th July

Catch up classes end

Monday 12th July

Mary's Meals Mug appeal closes

Monday 19th July

Meet the new teacher moving up session – 9.15am

Wednesday 21st July

KS1 school disco – come in party clothes

Friday 23rd July

Whole School Mass – 9:30

Friday 23rd July

School closes

