



# Year 1 Newsletter

## Summer Term 2



Our topic this half term is:

### Green fingers!

This half term we will be learning about plants. Our key text 'Bloom' will provide a link into learning about different plants, fruits and vegetables. During our theme weeks we will find out about keeping healthy and the importance of exercise and learn about famous people.

Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

<u>English</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Key text : Bloom by Anne Booth</li><li>• Sentence types and punctuation eg ? !</li><li>• Contractions eg it's, don't, couldn't etc</li><li>• Think about different ways to start sentences to help structure short narratives.</li><li>• High frequency word spellings</li><li>• Summer Poetry</li></ul>	<u>Maths</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quick mental addition and subtraction up to 20</li><li>• Recap counting in 2s, 5s and 10s</li><li>• Counting backwards from 100</li><li>• Place value up to 100 - how many tens, ones. Drawing the number and beginning to write in words</li><li>• Money - recognising coins, adding amounts</li><li>• Measuring - capacity</li></ul>	<u>Science</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WWF supporting wildlife and endangered animals</li></ul> <p>Healthy Living</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The body and senses.</li><li>• Importance of exercise</li></ul> <p>Plants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Observe closely and record data</li><li>• Name parts of plants and trees</li><li>• Identify and describe structure of a variety of plants and trees</li><li>• Seasons - Summer</li></ul>
<u>Art and DT</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Design own clay plant pot and decorate it</li><li>• Andy Goldsworthy - sculpture</li></ul>	<u>Geography/History/RE</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To observe human and physical features</li><li>• Significant sporting people - eg Jessica Ennis, Usain Bolt, Tanni Grey, Louis Braille</li><li>• Significant events - eg Olympics/Paralympics</li><li>• Timelines</li><li>• To continue to learn about the Islamic faith</li></ul>	<u>Computing</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To introduce simple coding</li><li>• To write simple instructions to create a sequence</li><li>• To make a character move and change size.</li><li>• To repeat a sequence so that it keeps on playing.</li></ul>
<u>PHSE</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Think about life cycles of animals and humans.</li><li>• To learn how our bodies have changed from when we are babies</li><li>• To use the correct language for body parts</li></ul>	<u>PE</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Net and wall - Developing racket and ball skills.</li><li>• Striking and fielding - Developing fielding skills and striking and catching skills.</li></ul>	

#### How you can help :

- Grow a plant at home and let us know how you get on
- Before, during and after exercise feel your heart beating and count how many beats per minute
- Keep practising the year 1 high frequency spelling words
- Mental maths - quick recall of addition and subtraction up to 20. Try to be as confident and quick as you can be! Eg  $9+6=$
- Look out for words with suffixes (ing, ed, s, es, er, est) and prefix 'un'
- Understand how apostrophes are used in words such as didn't, hasn't and so on.
- Keep reading and writing in your reading record

#### Other news:

- Monday 5th June INSET
- 5th June - WWF Week, learning about endangered animals.
- Thursday 8th June Copper Mile
- Monday 12th June Diamonds and Emeralds Mosque Trip. Please talk to your child's class teacher if you are available to volunteer.
- Tuesday 13th June Rubies and Sapphires Mosque Trip. Please talk to your child's class teacher if you are available to volunteer.
- W/B 12th June Phonic screening week. Information will be sent out to parents about this.
- Monday June 19th Year 1 trip to Wisley. Please talk to your child's class teacher if you are available to volunteer.
- Week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> June - Healthy Living Week (details for the week will follow)
- Wednesday 28th June Big Breakfast (Great Hall)
- Wednesday 28th June - Sports day (weather dependent)
- Saturday 1st July School Colour Run
- Friday 7th July Work Celebration Parent Morning 8:55-9:15
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July - Early closure 1.45pm for Parent Consultations (if required)
- Tuesday 18th July Year 1 Holiday Day (destination yet to be announced)
- Thursday 20th 1 Party Day
- Friday 21st July - Last day finish at 1.45pm.

A big thank you for your continued support this year. We have appreciated all of your effort and comments throughout the year.

Many thanks,  
Year 1 Team