



Year 1 Autumn Term

Welcome to Year One. We are really excited about the new year and we have lots of fun learning planned. This half term and our topic is: **Claws, Paws, Whiskers and Wings!**

In this topic we will be learning about different animals. We will enjoy learning about birds, mammals, fish and reptiles. We will look at similarities and differences between animals, their bodies and how to look after pets.

Most of our learning this term will be linked to our topic. Below are the areas that we will cover:

<u>English</u> -Practise handwriting and letter formation e.g. all letters to sit on the line. - To use fingers between words. - To use time words to open sentences such as first, then and finally. - To use story language e.g. once upon a time, one sunny day.	<u>Maths</u> -Sorting and counting objects -Counting forwards and backwards -1 more and 1 less -Comparing numbers and understanding the = sign -Ordering numbers and the number line -Ordinal numbers - 1st, 2nd 3rd etc -Addition and subtraction within 10	<u>Science</u> -All about me and my body -Identify, name and describe the bodies of birds, mammals, fish and reptiles. - Comparing animals -Sorting animals -Observing over time (birds) - Needs and care of animals
<u>Geography</u> -Map of school grounds and 3D model -Exploring our school and animals around us <u>Art</u> -Discussing animal patterns and textures -Henri Rousseau and using thick and thin brushes <u>ICT</u> -Understand the different types of technology we use. -Use technology and learn key vocab -Log on independently		<u>PE</u> Exploring the fundamentals of PE, including balancing, moving at different speeds and jumping. Developing knowledge and understanding of these areas of PE. <u>PSHE - Being me in my world</u> -Class rules -Belonging to a class -Feeling proud -Recognising consequences

Reading

- Your child will bring home 2 reading books each week. They will change their books on the following days so please remember your child's reading folder on these days:

Book Changing Timetable

Ash 	Birch 	Oak 	Sycamore 	Willow 
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

PE

- Please remember that the children need to wear their PE kits to school and that they will be allowed to wear them for the whole day. Some PE lessons will be outside so children are allowed to wear a tracksuit so they do not get cold. Please make sure that all clothing is labelled.

Tapestry

- Tapestry will continue to be used in KS1. Teachers will be sharing examples of work and activities that the children have been doing in class. It will also be used to communicate messages to parents.

Pets in School Week

We hope to invite pets into school this half term to link with our Claws, Paws, Whiskers, and Wings topic. If you have a friendly hamster, a gentle dog or a cute cat that would be able to visit class we can't wait to meet them. Information will be shared with parents nearer the time.

Year 1 Dates

- Friday 11th September, 9am: Parent Information Morning - Everything you need to know about Burlington Infant and Nursery School and Online Safety
- Friday 25th September, 9am, Infant Hall: Welcome to Year 1 Talk and visit your child in their new classroom
- Friday 25th September, 2.30pm Great Hall: PTA Annual General Meeting (all welcome)
- Wednesday 14th October: Individual School Photos
- Wednesday 21st 2-5.30pm and Thursday 22nd October 4-7pm: Parent Consultations. School closes at 1.45pm on Wednesday 21st
- Friday 23rd October: Wear it Pink - children can come to school in non-uniform clothes including something pink in support of breast cancer research
- Friday 23rd October: Last day of the school half term

Please see the school newsletter for other key dates.

Many thanks,
Year 1 Team