


Welcome back! We hope you've had a lovely half term break. Here are a few notes about this half term to help you understand what we are learning about and to give some extra information and useful reminders.

Our topic this half term will continue to be *Wonderful World*. We will read a selection of books including *Snail and the Whale* and *Moana*. In geography we will be looking at the UK and how it compares to Shanghai. In maths we will learn to count, read and write numbers to 50. We will then explore measurement of length and height. This will help us to measure our plants!

We would like to thank you for your continued support and welcome any volunteers in school or on our educational visits throughout the year. Further details of our curriculum can be found on the school website.

Please feel free to contact us with any queries via office@saltaireps.co.uk.

Our Learning Theme	Important Dates:
 <p>'Wonderful World'</p>	<p>1.3.2024 - Parents Art exhibition @ 3:00-3:30pm 19.3.2024- Parent Consultations 20.3.2024- Parent Consultations Wk beg 18.3.24 - Hirst Woods Nature Reserve visit 22.3.2023 - Break up for Easter</p> <p>If anyone would like to volunteer for our school trips please feel free to contact us via email or speak to one of our friendly Year One team.</p>
Homework	PE Days
<p>Every child will change their reading book each week. Please make sure your child reads their reading book every day. Please continue to sign the reading record. We are looking for those star readers (read at least 5 times a week). Please encourage your child to use pure sounds when sounding out words e.g. 'mmm' not 'muh'.</p> <p>Please send your reading books and reading records back to school in your child's bookbag. Children will read with an adult in school three times a week.</p> <p>Phonics homework will be sent home every week on a Friday so please check bookbags. You can use the green homework books to practise. Maths LBH (Learn By Heart) and English/Topic homework will be set half termly. This will be sent out at the beginning of the term during the first week back. Please use the green homework book to record any work your child has done. If you would like your class teacher to see the work that your child has done at any point then please hand the book into the class teacher. Please return your child's book during the last week of half term so we can mark their work and give any feedback.</p>	<p>Monday – indoor Friday - outdoor Please ensure your child attends school in a full PE kit in school colours (no football kits) for those days including velcro trainers for outdoor PE.</p> <p>Reading for Pleasure</p> <p>Please continue to read story books to your children - even as your children learn to read themselves. Being read to and discussing stories really develops a love of reading. Recommendations for amazing books can be found at https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/100-best-books/ https://carnegiegreenaway.org.uk/tag/2020/</p>



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Curriculum		
English	Maths	Science
<p>Text: <i>Snail and the Whale</i> <i>Moana</i></p> <p>We will be focussing on developing comprehension skills.</p> <p>We will also be retelling and innovating the stories remembering capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.</p>	<p>We will continue addition and subtraction to 20. We will then explore measurement including non standard and standard methods (length and height). To finish the term we will begin place value with numbers to 50.</p>	<p>In science we are continuing to explore animals around the world. We will then explore the world around them and raise their own questions. Finally finishing off the term with a visit to Hirst Wood Nature Reserve to observe plants and seasonal changes.</p>
Humanities	Art/DT	Computing
<p>In history we will be looking at Captain Cook and learning about who he was and what he did.</p> <p>In geography we will be exploring what it is like in Shanghai and comparing it with the UK.</p>	<p>We will be designing and creating a stable structure of a windmill. We will be looking at how to use tools correctly and learning different joining techniques. We will then decorate our windmills and put them to the test!</p>	<p>We will continue to look at pic-collage to record some of our own work.</p> <p>We will learn how we can help to keep ourselves safe on devices and the internet.</p>
Oracy	Other:	Year One Team
<p>We have been using oracy in our lessons through discussions, talk partners, games and songs. This term we will be working on trios (groups of three children with two speakers and one listener).</p> <p>Our question of the term is: What is it like in Shanghai?</p> <p>Sentence stems I think ... I believe ... I agree ... I disagree ... because ...</p>	<p>RE: We will be discussing how and why do we care for others?</p> <p>PSHE: We will be discussing the ways we can be responsible and keep ourselves safe both at home and at school.</p> <p>Music: We will be getting into the groove by listening to different styles of music and recognising the rhythm and pulse. We will learn about improvisation.</p> <p>PE: In PE we are doing gymnastics and seeing how we can use our bodies to move in different ways. In outdoor PE we are mastering basic movements such as throwing underarm, catching and throwing at targets. We will be using bats and balls with an opponent.</p>	<p>Mrs Harrison - Donaldson Class Teacher</p> <p>Miss Toner - Rosen Class teacher</p> <p>Mrs Morgan - Higher Level Teaching Assistant</p> <p>Miss Lalli - 1:1 Learning Support Assistant</p> <p>Miss King- Learning Support Assistant</p> <p>Mrs Butler 1:1 - Learning Support Assistant</p> <p>Mr Feather 1:1 Learning Support Assistant</p> <p>Miss Knowels - student teacher</p>