

Year One Newsletter: Spring 2 2024

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 *Where the Wild Things Are* and *Tidy*. 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

'Wonderful World'

difference.

Important Dates:

World Book Day - Thursday 6th March Visit to Nell Bank - Thursday 13th March Red Nose Day - Friday 21st March Year 1 Assembly - Friday 28th March

Maths Homework Dates:

Sent Home	Return	
Friday 7th March	Wednesday 19th March	
Friday 21st March	Wednesday 2nd April	
Friday 4th April	Tuesday 22nd April	

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.

Homework

Every child will change their reading book each week.
Please make sure your child reads their reading book
every day as the additional practise makes all the

Please encourage your child to use pure sounds when sounding out words e.g. 'mmm' not 'muh'. We will continue to send Phonics homework on a Friday when new graphemes/phonemes have been taught.

Please send your reading books and reading records back to school each day in your child's bookbag. Children will read with an adult in school three times a week.

As we progress through Year One we will continue to learn 'tricky words'. Please work with your child at home to read and spell their 'tricky words'. Once they are able to read them please send them back to school and we will send you the next set.

PE Days 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.

Reading for Pleasure

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/



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Curriculum		
English	Maths	Science
Text: Where the Wild Things Are Tidy We will be focussing on developing comprehension skills. We will also be retelling and innovating the stories remembering capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.	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.	In science we are starting our journey to understand sustainability. We then move on to look at planting and seasonal changes in Spring.
Humanities	Art/DT	Computing
In history we will be looking at Captain Cook and learning about who he was and what he did. In geography we will be exploring what it is like in Shanghai and comparing it with the UK.	We will be designing and creating a stable structure of a boat. We will be looking at how to use tools correctly and learning different joining techniques. We will then decorate our boats and put them to the test!	We will learn about how we can sort and count objects as part of data collection. The children will then use their data to ask and answer questions.
Oracy	Other:	Year One Team
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). Our question of the term is: What is it like in Shanghai? Sentence stems I think I believe I agree I disagree because	RE: We will be discussing how and why do we care for others? PSHE: We will be discussing the ways we can be responsible and keep ourselves safe both at home and at school. 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. 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.	Mrs Austwick- Donaldson Class Teacher/Assistant Headteacher - Early Phase Miss Walton - Donaldson Class Teacher Miss Mullholland - Rosen Class Teacher Mrs Butler - Early Phase LSA Miss James - Early Phase LSA Miss Breatt - HITA