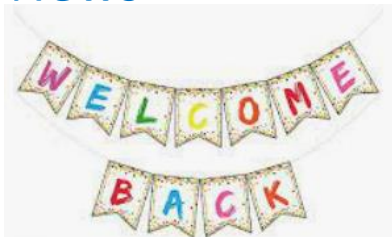


## Year 1/2 News

08/09/23



### This week...

Welcome back to school everyone!

What a busy few days we have had and what a super start everyone has made to year 1 and 2. The children have come back to school ready to learn, engaged and excited about the term ahead!

Teachers have been very busy this week assessing the children's phonics and sound knowledge. Next week we will begin phonics direct teaching and sending home a phonically decodable book from Tuesday.

Tonight, the children are just coming home with a reading for pleasure book and their reading record (please write in any time you read at home)

Miss Brown, Mrs Gerry & Mrs Hayman-Curtis

### HOME LEARNING

**Reading** – Children should aim to read at home for 15-20mins daily. This may be reading to an adult or independent reading. Please record reading in the reading record.

### Maths from next week –

**Year 1** – Counting within 10. Can your child recognise numbers within 10, finding one more and one less and practise writing the digits the correct way round.

**Year 2** – We will be exploring numbers within 100. Can your child recognise and write different numbers within 100. Please ensure they are trying hard to get their digits around the right way.

**Optional Extras** – Nothing this week because it has been such a shock after 6 weeks off so we are sure they will be hot and tired so lots of sleep, rest and recovery ready for a busy full week next week.

### PHONICS FOCUS:

#### Year 1 & 2 –

Both year groups will be looking at the sound /ae/. Year 1 will begin looking at the first spellings for this sound (**ai, ay, ea, a-e**) and the year 2s will be beginning to look at these sounds plus the trickier, alternative spellings for this sound (**a, ei, ey, eigh**)

### Word of the Day

Each day in class, we focus on one 'Word of the Day'. These words are chosen in order to support children developing a wider vocabulary, help them access a text being used in reading lessons and encourage adventurous word choice when writing.

Next week, year 1/2 will be focusing on the following words:

**Unique**

**participate**

**personality**

**appearance**

Perhaps your child will use some of these in conversations at home!

### Reminders / messages

Just a few things to remember.....

- water in bottles not juice please
- PE kits to come in on a Monday and stay until Friday (clearly names on the outside of the bag please)
- Reading books and reading records to come in every day
- If you are sending your child in with a snack for breaktime please make sure it is fruit or veg!