



Year 1 Newsletter

The Year 1 team consists of Miss Newman, Mrs Silva, Miss Rana and Mrs. Aurela.

The children have been working so hard as we get back into our routine of school and learning in the classroom. Students have been making progress in all content areas and have been happy to see their friends and teachers in school again.

HOME LEARNING

This half term, we have been using Showbie for our home learning. Each Friday, your classroom teacher posts the week's online assignment which is due the following Wednesday. Please ensure you are checking Showbie every week so that your child can continue to learn at home.

SPELLING

Each week your child is given a new set of spellings to learn. It is crucial to help your child learn and practise their spellings. It will enable them to effectively learn the spelling patterns needed for their writing.

READING

Please make sure you read with your child every night! They should be bringing their reading books and purple diaries to school every day. The more you comment in your child's reading diary, the more we can support them in making progress. If you need any support with the reading diaries, please ask and we will be happy to help.

English

In English this half term, we have been going over our key writing skills. We have been practising writing sentences with capital letters, full stops, and finger spaces as we read and retell traditional tales. Some of our favourites were The Boy Who Cried Wolf, The Three Little Pigs, and Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We have had a great time acting out the stories and writing about the characters. We have also been working hard on memorising our sight words and practising our sounds in Read Write Inc.

Maths

In Maths, we have been adding and subtracting with cubes, practising our counting skills, and using number lines. We have been practising using number bonds to make numbers up to 15. Students are getting more confident each day! It would be great if you could continue practising this skill at home.

Science

In Science, we focused on Our Five Senses. We went on a nature walk around the school and made observations about what we saw, smelled, heard, and saw. We also discussed the different natural materials and compared the textures of wool, wood, and fabric.

Art

In Art, we focused on our wellbeing and recreating animal print patterns on polystyrene eggs. We had a great time! Students began by recreating different patterns we have seen. Then they practiced painting different patterns and lines in hot and cold colours. We finished our Art unit by designing our own animal print and painting onto polystyrene eggs! The students found Art class to be a helpful time to be creative and check in about how they are feeling during this challenging time.



