

# **St Philip Westbrook News**

Year 1 Newsletter: Friday 8th September 2017 Autumn 1

PE kits need to be in school all week.

Please ensure that your child has a warm, waterproof coat in school each day, with their name & class marked on the inside.

# Our Learning

# Welcome

Hello everybody and welcome back. We are really pleased with how the children have settled into life in Year 1. We have enjoyed getting to know them and look forward to the year ahead. Please keep looking at our class pages on the school website to find out more.

Many thanks, Year 1 teachers

# **Our Learning**

This half term our project will be "Down My Street". This will include:

Science and DT: Everyday materials and how we can use these

History: Own life changes (family homes and events) and looking at how our school has changed

RE: How was Jesus special? Harvest

Geography: Our locality

Art: Primary and secondary colours, colour mixing

Computing: Getting to know the iPads and e-safety

PE: Outdoor and adventurous activities

Mrs Kennerley's class will also have Dance.

English: Traditional tales and familiar settings

Maths: Number facts, comparing numbers, ordering numbers

#### Homework

The children will receive a piece of homework and a set of spellings each Friday. These must be completed and returned to school by the following Wednesday.

We will also send home phonic bookmarks each week that will match the sounds we have looked at in class. Please continue to practice these at home.

The children will receive a Maths Passport. Please follow the instructions at home to support your child.

Children will also bring home a reading book. This may be changed as often as required. Children should read at least three times a week at home. Please record in their reading record each time your child reads.

### **Phonics**

You may be aware that every child in Year 1 will take the Phonics Screening test in June next year. Please do not book a holiday for the weeks beginning 11th and 18th June. The children will be required to blend a variety of real and pseudo words. We have already begun working on this during our phonics lessons. Further information and practice materials will be sent home over the course of the year.

Thank you for your support.

# PE days are:

Wednesdays and Fridays (Mrs Kennerley)

Thursdays and Fridays
(Miss Ashton & Miss McKinnon)

Please ensure all children come to school with a water bottle.

Fresh fruit is available every day for morning snacks. If you would prefer to provide your own snack please ensure it reflects a healthy choice (fruit, vegetables or toast). Please do not send biscuits, crisps, jellies or cereal bars.

Children should have their book bags in school every day with their reading record. We will soon be giving each child a green spelling book which needs to stay in their book bag.

# **Additional information**

During this half term, some of our PE sessions will be outside. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear. A plain black tracksuit without logo or black leggings/jogging bottoms and a plain sweatshirt or hoodie. Details for this can be found on our school website. Please ensure earrings are removed or covered for PE sessions.

The school gates open at 8:40am and close at 8:50am each morning.

If children are late to school please enter via the front school entrance at the office.