



St Philip Westbrook News

Year 1 Newsletter:

Spring 2

PE kits need to be in school all week.

Please ensure that your child has a warm, waterproof coat in school each day.

Our Learning

Welcome

Hello everybody and welcome back. We are really excited about our project this half term. 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 "The Great British Make-Off". This will include:

Science: Looking at British inventors and scientists. Taking part in experiments during British Science Week.

DT: Inventing and evaluating our own flying machine.

RE: Baptism, Easter - Celebrating New Life

Geography : UK countries, cities and seas., naming key features of a town or village, looking at main towns and cities in the United Kingdom.

History: British heroes including Lewis Carroll, George Stephenson, the Royal Family and Queen Elizabeth.

ICT: Navigating websites using links, back button, arrows and menus.

PE: Ball skills, football.

Miss McKinnon's class will also have Dance.

English: Non-fiction texts including How Does it Work? 'Great Women Who Changed the World'.

Narrative in fantasy/imaginative setting including How to Catch a Star (Oliver Jeffers).

Maths: Shapes and patterns, length and height. Division within 40 including worded problems. Fractions including whole, half, quarter.

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 practise these at home.

Please continue to practise the maths passport targets.

Phonics

You may be aware that every child in Year 1 will take the Phonics Screening test in June next year. 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:

Mondays and Thursdays (KA)

Wednesdays and Thursdays (LM)

Tuesdays and Thursdays (JK)

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 (fresh 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.

Additional information

During this half term, some of our PE sessions will be outside. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear. 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. Please ensure your child is in school on time as they have a morning task to complete.

World Book Day is on Thursday 1st March. The children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character or come in their pyjamas on this day.