

The Willows Primary School

Year 1 Summer Term Newsletter

Explore — Dream — Discover

Hello, we cannot believe that it is our final term with your children. They have made so much progress and we are so proud of each and every one of them. We will continue to share photographs, video's and updates via Dojo and the Blog. Weekly homework will be posted to Seesaw every Wednesday alternating between Maths and English activities.



English

Our focused text will be "Billy's Bucket". Please look out for the story sequencing your child will have created in class and encourage them to tell you the story using it. We will be continuing our work on using adjectives and making interesting adjective choices.

We will then move onto 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' and explore the adventures of Mr Grindling in his cottage on the cliffs.



Maths

This term we are starting with numbers up to 50. Counting, recognising and ordering numbers. We will also be comparing numbers to 50 and find one more and one less than any given number to 50. We will also be revisiting addition and subtraction.

Please continue to help your children at home with quick recall of number bonds to 10 (and if possible extending to 20), counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and ensuring numbers are written correctly.

In preparation for this term's maths work, any counting practice, writing numbers and recognising numbers will be of great benefit to your child.

Buckets and Spades

Our Explore-Dream-Discover lessons will have a 'Buckets and Spades' theme. We will be learning about the Victorian seaside, and how seaside holidays have changed. In geography we will be focusing on the differences between Stoke on Trent and a seaside town. The children will learn lots of new vocabulary to describe physical features such as beach, cliff, coast, harbour, we will also be identifying key human features such as shops, homes and factories. We will be continuing our work on sliders and levers in Design and Technology. We will be making pictures with moving parts. In RE we will be focusing on Creation. We will be exploring who created the world and the importance of caring for our planet. In Science we will be looking at the seasonal changes and the sun. We hope we will be able to take lots of learning outdoors. We will also be accessing the poly tunnel and developing our knowledge and understanding of growing.



Race to read-

Each week the children in Key Stage 1 have a whole class reward if their class has the highest number of readers who have completed the five reads each week challenge. 1JT and 1AA enjoyed treats last term. This little but often approach makes a huge amount of difference to your child's progress. **Please remember to sign your child's diary and return to school each day.**

Spellings

We will now be sending home weekly spellings, these can be found in your child's reading diary with new spellings added each Friday. These words will then be tested the following Friday. Your child will then bring home their test sheet and be able to share their score. These will be practised in school but any additional practise at home will be beneficial.

PE

Fridays is now our PE day. As the children will continue to come into school in their PE kits, please ensure it is suitable for any weather. We will also be busy preparing for our Key Stage One Sports Day. We hope we will see you there.

Reminders – Snacks at break time

Can we just remind you that children should only bring healthy snacks for break time, this can include fruit or a cereal bar. No nuts, chocolate, crisps or cake please. A refillable water bottle should also be sent into school daily no fizzy drinks or juice. Thank you

Thank you for your continue support.

Kind regards,

Year One Staff

Dates for the diary

Monday 23rd May 1WG Class Show Case

Tuesday 24th May 1AA Class Show Case

Wednesday 25th 1JT Class Show Case

Monday 6th June Key Stage One Sports Day

Monday 20th June Llandudno Visit 1AA and 15 of 1JT (to be confirmed)

Tuesday 21st June Llandudno Visit 1WG and 15 of 1JT 1JT (to be confirmed)

For more dates, please see the weekly newsletter.