

# Year 1 Newsletter

(September- October 2024/Autumn Term 1)

## This Term's News

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope that everyone is enjoying being back in school and getting back into the daily routine. The children have settled in really well and are excited to be in Year 1!

Mrs Wright will be the TA in our class in the morning and either Mrs Wilcoxson or Mrs D will be with us most afternoons.

Below are some details of the things we will be covering this term and some ideas on how you can help your child both at home and at school.

## Phonics

We will be following on from Reception and continuing the Read Write Inc Programme, where the children will be introduced to new set of sounds.

## Literacy

During this term we will be looking at the traditional tale of The Three Little Pigs and focusing on using our phonics to write words and construct sentences.

## Numeracy

The children will be following our maths programme, Maths No Problem. This term we will be focusing on number representation and comparison before moving on to addition and subtraction.

## RE

We will be talking about what Christians believe about God and what God means to them. We will also be preparing for the Harvest Festival.

## Topic – Houses and Homes

We will be looking at where we live and the types of houses we live in, specifically focusing on Heanor and its landmarks. We will then compare the similarities and differences of where we live to a big city. This will include our science topic of every day materials, where we will be looking at Traditional Tales such as The Three Little Pigs and investigating the materials they used to build their houses.

We will be going on a local walk around Heanor later this half term to look at the different buildings and their purposes (date to follow)

## Spellings

We do not currently expect Year 1 to take a spellings test each week, however we will be continuously working on our spellings during our writing lessons.

## Reading

Reading books will be sent home in the coming weeks. These books focus on their phonics knowledge. They will also choose an interest book for you to read with them. We do not expect the children to be able to read all of the words in the interest books.

Please try to read with your child every day, or at least three times a week. Just five minutes a day reading can have a huge impact on their progression. We are continuing with our 'Reading Rainbow' this year, where reads at home will be counted (one per day), enabling the children to move over the rainbow towards the pot of gold!

## PE

We will be continuing to work with the School Sports Partnership and Mr Woodhouse and Mr Jeffries will be delivering our PE lessons every Monday and Thursday

### Important Days

**Monday:** PE

**Thursday:** PE

**23/24<sup>th</sup> October:** Parent Consultations

**22<sup>nd</sup> October:** Harvest Celebration at St Lawrence Church

**Thank you for your continued support and if you need to talk to me at any time, please try to catch me after school or make an appointment through the school office.**

**You can also email me at:**

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**Mrs. Gilbert**

