

# YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER



Autumn 1 2020

Welcome back after what has hopefully been a wonderful summer break. We are really looking forward to teaching your lovely children and having a fantastic year ahead!

Year 1 consists of three classes:

**Class 6:** Mrs Hart (Teacher) and Mrs Rajput (LSA);

**Class 7:** Mrs Scott (Year Group leader) and Miss Rowland (LSA);

**Class 8:** Mr Sharkey (Teacher) and Mrs Summers (LSA).

Please come and speak to us if you have any questions about the year ahead. We hope to work closely with you to ensure the very best for your children.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Friday 23rd October** - INSET day



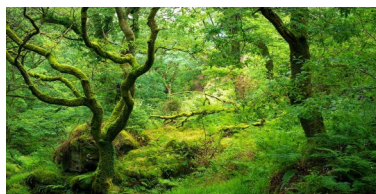
## REMINDERS

The children will have PE once a week. **Our PE day is Tuesday.** We ask that the children keep their indoor and outdoor PE kits in school and take them home during holiday periods. **Teachers will be doing a PE kit check with the children every Monday morning.** If you are unsure about what should be in the PE kits, please ask your child's class teacher.

All children need a **labelled** water bottle in school. These will go home each day to be cleaned.

## CREATIVE CURRICULUM

The Wild Woods is a fantastic topic full of wonderful learning experiences for the children to take part in.



We are planning a walk to The Memorial Park for our WOW event where we will observe the wildlife and explore the park using our senses. The children will be supported to make observational drawings of their favourite part of the park. They will also collect natural materials to use in school to create woodland crowns and other imaginary props. The children will be learning about different wildlife and their woodland dwellings, their needs and how they behave at different times during each season of the year. In science, we will be looking at the seasons and pretend to be a weather reporter commenting on how the weather changes each month.

We hope you're looking forward to a fantastic half term of learning and creativity!

## WAYS TO HELP AT HOME

In June, all Year 1 children are required to take part in the Phonics Screening Check. The children are required to use their phonics knowledge to decode a mixture of 40 'real' and 'alien' words. We will be teaching Phonics daily in preparation for this and sending home words to practise.

Please could you support us by encouraging your children to read daily at home. This does not always have to be their reading books. Children must have their reading books in school daily as we often read with the children individually each day.

We also ask for your support with the children learning their spellings weekly, ready to be tested each Friday.

## SEESAW

Our class pages are up and already showcasing your child's learning. Please keep checking these for important messages and more of your child's work. If you need a new seesaw code, please ask your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

## USEFUL LINKS

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/Phase3Menu.htm>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>