Year 1 Summer Term Topics

Welcome back, we hope you have all had a lovely Easter break and Eid celebrations!

We would like to thank you for all your support last term and we look forward to another fun filled busy term with the children. This term we will be learning some exciting things. We have a school walk around the local environment planned in the first half term to link in with our geography curriculum to look at our local area's geographical features.

Reading:	This term we are going to be reading 'The Disgusting Sandwich' by Gareth Edwards. We can't wait to explore the book with your children and find out how disgusting a sandwich needs to be for the Badger to finally say no. We shall be looking at the language the author has chosen and using this to explore new vocabulary and practice retrieval questions. We shall also look at a wide breadth of other books that will support our main text.
Writing:	During writing lessons, we will be using our main focus story of 'The disgusting sandwich' to explore how to write a set of instructions. Our key skills this term are to look at exclamation marks and using 'and' to join sentences together. We shall also be continuing to focus on the following key skills during this term; using full stops, fingers spaces, capital letters and capital letters for the pronoun I. We shall also be exploring writing poetry and how a poets choice of vocabulary can create an effect on the reader.
Maths:	During our maths lessons this term we shall we exploring number 20 – 100 in depth looking at place value and understanding the concept of what happens to numbers when we add and subtract them. We shall also explore 2d and 3d shapes in our environments. Year 1 will begin their journey to explore multiplication and division by looking at counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.
Science:	In science we shall be exploring the wonderful world of plants. We will be looking closely at the environment around us and how we can identify different types of plants and studying their needs and features. In the second half of the term we shall move onto looking at Seasonal Changes and how the seasons impact on what we do.
R.E.:	During R.E. lessons we will be exploring the disposition of 'Remembering Roots and being hopeful and visionary. Later in the term we will be exploring the disposition of 'Being curious and Valuing Knowledge and being open, honest and truthful.'
P.H.S.E.:	In P.S.H.E we will be discussing the theme of Health and Wellbeing. We will be looking at mental health and physical health. We will also be looking at growing and changing and the time of transition as we look forward to our move into Year 2.
P.E.:	This term, we will be developing our skills in Athletics and team games ready for our sports day celebrations.
Across the curriculum:	Throughout the term, the children will have the opportunity to develop their creative skills through; music, design and technology and art. In art we are looking at sculpture and in DT we shall be exploring food preparation by looking at healthy foods. In Geography we will be learning about our local area. After half term we will be studying History by looking at Kings and Queens of England.

Important information

During this half term your children will take their Phonic Check Test in school. This something the children have been preparing for the whole year and they are used to practicing reading real and nonsense words using their knowledge of the phonemes they have been taught.

Please make sure your child brings their book and book bag to school every day.

P.E is currently on a Tuesday morning and the focus is on Athletics. Children will need to come to school in their P.E. kit for the day.

How can you help?

You can help us in school by:

- Reading everyday with your child, this really helps your child progress and develop an enjoyment for reading.
- Talk to your child about their day. Ask what they have enjoyed about each day. Being able to answer questions in full sentences will help your child develop their vocabulary and understanding.
- Making sure your child gets lots of sleep.
- Bringing in a water bottle every day.

Thank you for your support, Mrs Taylor, Miss Hawker, Mrs Langham, Mrs Davies and Mrs Campbell.