

Year 1

Autumn 1 Round Up



Has it only been 7 weeks!? It feels as though the Year 1s have always been here. It has definitely been quite a steep learning curve and a little challenging at times adapting to the pace of a Year 1 morning but we have seen increasing independence in many and delight, as they manage to complete the tasks set.

We've worked hard on our sitting and listening and the children will 'Give me 5' to show me they are ready to learn.

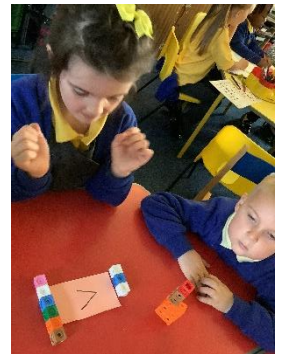
In Phonics we are enjoying starting to learn our new Phase 5 sounds. As each new sound is introduced, we 'Grow the Code' and the children are able to see how the same sounds can be written differently.

The children LOVED learning their worm poem, I think it was the addition of their own worm which best captured their imaginations. They said how nervous they were to perform the poem but I was so proud of each and every one of them for their fantastic recital. Bring on the Christmas production!!

We are working very hard on being able to say a sentence so that we are able to write it down, using the phonics we know, to help us make decodable attempts at spelling our words independently.



In Maths we have been building upon our knowledge of place value to 10 and have introduced the symbols for greater than $>$ and less than $<$. We like to think of them as crocodile mouths and we know that crocodiles always like to eat the biggest numbers!



We like to get outside as often as we can and this week have been exploring the part whole model practically on the playground.

The BYSW team came to visit us in Year 1 for 3 consecutive weeks to enhance our RE lessons by teaching us more about God, Jesus and the Bible using puppets songs and stories. We love the BYSW team and the children are always excited to see them come. In RE we learnt about harvest and being thankful. We also learnt about how Jewish people celebrate harvest.



Hopefully your children should be able to tell you about the countries that make up Great Britain, and some facts about those countries, as this has been a focus in Geography.

We said goodbye to Mrs Bamber, temporarily, and we wish her well as she has her baby and takes some time to settle her into their family. There is no news yet but baby could come any day now!

I have sent the homework books home again this week, but please don't panic, homework is not compulsory over the holidays. A lot of the children are extremely tired and ready for a good rest. It is only for those that are particularly enthusiastic to finish any items on the Homework sheet, as there will be a new sheet for Autumn 2.

I have also sent the reading books home as we missed out on last Thursday due to staffing complications.

I hope you have a fantastic holiday and will see you all soon.

Mrs Lucarelli