

# Year 1 & 2 Newsletter



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## What a fantastic couple of weeks it has been in Key Stage One!

Moon Class have continued their Moon Zoom topic by learning about astronauts and how they live in space. Star class have started to explore and identify suitable materials for different purposes based on their properties.

### In Key Stage 1:

**Year 1 (Moon Class)** – We have been learning about everyday materials and their properties. We went on an exciting materials hunt around school and carried out a simple test on a variety of objects. We have also been learning important facts about Neil Armstrong – the first man on the moon!

**Year 2 (Star Class)** – We have been busy carrying out experiments to identify the best material to block a hole in a bucket. We tried a range of materials and found out that bubble wrap and blue-tac were both pretty good. What other material might be good at blocking a hole in a bucket? They have also started looking at maps and even had a go at creating their own maps.



### How you can help your child at home

#### Reading

Please encourage your child to read as much as possible at home and try to ask them questions about what they are reading.

**Books are changed** every **Monday** and **Thursday** in both classes. Please sign your child's Reading Record book every time you read with them. The children take home one levelled book which they should read independently as well as a story of their own choice which you can read together.

**Homework** is sent out every **Friday**. It will involve a handwriting practice sheet, a simple maths activity or a game to reinforce learning in class. The completed homework needs to be returned in folders by **Tuesday**.

Encourage your child to use **Mathletics** (Year 2) and **Time Tables Rockstars** (Year 1 and Year 2) websites/apps to support the children's learning in Maths. Logins are now stuck in every child's reading record. Please speak to the class teachers if you have any trouble with these .

Just a reminder...



### Reminders and important dates:

#### **PE days in Year 1 and Year 2:**

**Wednesday** (coach) and **Friday** (yoga)

**Water bottles** – Please make sure you send your child to school with a labelled water bottle.

**Spellings** – Spellings will be sent home on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday.

### Attendance

Moon – 97.2%

Star – 96.2%

