

Year 1 & 2 Newsletter



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Friday, 2nd October 2020

Dear Families,

We are half way through half term and we are amazed by how well the children are doing. We have now moved on to our second class texts in both classes; in Year 1 we are reading 'The Odd Egg' and Year 2 are exploring different versions of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. It is lovely to see that most children are reading at home and that Reading Records are being used by families. Please be aware that the last day of term is now Thursday 22nd October. Mrs Jain and Miss Peake

Year 1, Moon Class had an exciting letter from the Museum of Curious Objects this week asking us to help them discover what might be growing inside the mystery egg that they have found. We have been learning about which animals lay eggs and which don't and coming up with fantastic explanations about the mystery egg to feed back to the Museum.



Year 2, Star Class went on an exciting walk to look at the area around the school. Our fabulous Street Detectives explored their local area, identified landmarks and road signs and learned how to follow a map. So much excitement on our doorstep!



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.

In Year 1 and 2 home reading books are **changed every Friday**. 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. Year 1 will be given new Reading Records next week.

In Year 1 and Year 2 Homework is sent out every **Friday**. The completed homework needs to be returned in folders by **Wednesday**.

Encourage your child to use **Mathletics** (in Year 1 and Year 2) and **Time Tables Rockstars** (in Year 2) to support the children's learning in Maths. Please contact the class teacher if you need login details for your child.

Reminders and important dates:

PE Days

Year 1 Wednesday.

Year 2 Monday and Wednesday.

Did you know your child is entitled to a **Universal free School Meal from Reception right up until Year 2?** You do not need to apply as your child will get it automatically.

If you are worried that your child may not like the food or can be a bit of a fussy eater, please be assured that there are plenty of adults in the dining hall who will gently encourage children to eat their dinner and get them to try new foods. If we notice that a child really won't eat anything, we will of course let you know and ask that you return to bringing in a packed lunch from home.

Please remember that from Monday 5th October Year 1 and 2 children will start at 9.05am and finish at 3.40pm

Attendance

Moon – 83.7 %



Star – 93.4 %



Helpful links to support your child's learning at home:



Reading – eBooks - <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

Year 1 Moon Class - My Class Login: moon2020 Password: moon

Year 2 Star Class - My Class Login: star2020 Password: star

Spellings

<https://spellingframe.co.uk/>



Times Tables – Hit the Button

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Online story time

<https://www.storylineonline.net/>



Online lessons - BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>