

Key Stage 1 Newsletter

Monday 25th September to Friday 1st December 2017



Welcome

Welcome to our first newsletter of the academic year. I hope you have all enjoyed hearing about our Hordle Learning Superheroes and the Learning Pit over the last few weeks. The children really enjoyed our mini-topic and we have already seen lots of impact in our lessons.

New Topic

Our new topic, 'A World of Water', focuses on life on the coastline. The children will be learning all about: human and physical features, how to locate symbols and places on a map, how to use different scale maps together with discovering the function of lighthouses. As part of this topic, the children will be designing and making their own lighthouse out of clay. Our topic will start with the children enjoying writing their own version of the fantastic book 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'.

Parent Readers

We are delighted that so many parents are keen to come in and support our children with reading.

If you have completed the **Hordle Classroom Volunteer Process**, then please speak to your child's class teacher.

We welcome parent readers every day between 0850 and 0915.

Thank you for your support!

Changing Books

Just a quick reminder that we are more than happy for you to change your child's reading book with them, at the end of the school day.



**Simon Phillips, Lucy Sheard and
Emma Howells
The Key Stage 1 Team**

Home Learning

Reading

Please ensure your child reads at least **4 times a week** and that this is recorded in their Reading Challenge booklet so they can earn points and be celebrated in our phase assemblies.

Spelling

Please support your child in learning their 10 weekly spellings. The front of their spelling book lists lots of fun and interactive ways of learning spellings which are a little more exciting than writing them out. The children will be tested every Friday afternoon and their score written in the front of their book.

Times tables (Year 2 ONLY)

Year 2 children will be learning their times tables. Please support them in recalling the 2, 5, 10 and 3 multiplication tables at speed.

Please keep checking the newsletter and school comms for details on **parent workshops** as these are organised as and when required.

Maths Workshop

All Year 1 and 2 parents are invited to a Maths workshop on **Monday 2nd October at 9am** (parents only). This will be an opportunity to learn more about the teaching of Maths in KS1 and a chance to obtain resources to help your child at home and ask any questions you may have.



Reading Workshop

Thank you to all parents who attended our Reading workshop. Lots of resources have been sent home to support reading, these include:

- **High frequency word cards**
- **Reading strategies bookmark**
- **Questions to ask sheet**
- **Book colour conversion chart**

If you haven't received any of these, either in your child's bag or by email, then please let a member of staff know as soon as possible.