



Dear Parents and Carers 31.01.2022

Welcome to another exciting week in year one!

Reading is the key to all learning! This week is National Storytelling Week (30 January - 6 February 2022). We will be celebrating in class by sharing a wide range of stories, poems and rhymes.

Friday 4th February is Number Day! On this day, the whole academy will be embracing maths for the whole day and the children will be taking part in a range of maths challenges and investigations. To make this day even better, we are inviting everyone to dress up following a maths theme. It can be as simple as a spotty t-shirt (count the dots) or a t-shirt that is decorated with a range of maths learning e.g. shapes. We look forward to seeing your fantastic outfits!

Parent consultations will be held next week (week commencing 7th February). Please ensure that you have filled out the online form to request a preferred appointment time. Microsoft Teams links will be sent out when appointments have been booked in.

This week we will continue with our history learning focused around WW1 and messenger pigeons. We will be learning about how animals were used during the first world war. We will focus particularly on horses and the jobs they had to do during the war.

Maths

This week, we will be finding the difference between two numbers to 20. We will think about which number is more and by how many. We will also be looking at fact families using addition and subtraction.

English

This week, we will be continuing to read our focus text 'The Jolly Postman'. We will be writing a letter from the giant to Jack in response to the postcard that he sent. We will also be creating a story map to represent the key parts of the story of Cinderella.

Wider Curriculum

This week in Evolution of me, we will be thinking about the importance of brushing our teeth and considering what we need to do to keep our teeth healthy.

Sounds Write

This week we will continue looking at the extended code.

We will continue to explore the /u/ sound and the different ways to spell the sound; o, u, and ou.

Please could you practice the following words based on our phonics this week. Look at the spellings with the 'u' sound (o, u and ou).

But, touch, come, cup, young, other.

Can you think of other words with this sound?



Reading at Home

All pupils can access Bug Club at anytime. Bug Club is a website with online books to read. Go to https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/

Your child's username is the first four letters of their first name and the first four letters of their surname. All passwords are read123. School code xcjr

To ensure that your child is making good progress with their reading, it is important that they can do more than just read the words in the book. Their comprehension of what is happening in their reading book is very important.

Here are some example questions below to try at home:

- What can you tell me about the story so far?
- What is your favourite part of the story? Why?
- What is the title of the book?
- Can you describe what happens at this part of the story?
- What do you think will happen next? Why?