

# Dear Parents and Carers 28.02.2022

Welcome to another exciting week in year one!

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. The theme is animal book characters. Pupils are invited to come into the academy dressed as their favourite animal character. We can't wait to see what the pupils look like! They can also bring in their favourite book to share.

Outdoor learning will take place on: Mondays and Tuesdays for Chestnuts Thursdays and Fridays for Hazelnuts

#### <u>Maths</u>

This week we will be practising counting in 2s and 5s. We will be using practical resources to make groups of 2s and 5s and will count them in their groups.

### Wider Curriculum

This week we will be Geographers. We will be thinking about where we live in the UK. We will use Google Earth to locate Hastings on the map.

## **English**

This week we will be continuing to read our new focus text 'Pattan's Pumpkin'. We will continue to focus on the setting of the story which is in India. We will begin to explore the main characters in the book and describe them.

#### Sounds Write

This week we will continue looking at the extended code.

We will continue to explore the /s/ sound and the different ways to spell the sound; s, ss, se, ce, st, c, sc.

Please could you practise the following words based on our phonics this week. Look at the spellings with the 's' sound (s, ss, se, ce, st, c, sc).

Sink, kiss, fence, science, Christmas, acid, goose. 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?