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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Autumn term in Year 1. In this letter you will find information about what we will be learning about this term.

Class Teacher	**Ms Broderick**	**Support Staff**	**Mrs Boutouil**
PE Days	**Monday and Thursday (please have PE kits in every day)**		

ENGLISH	
Our text this term are:	Out and About poems – Shirley Hughes Wild – Emily Hughes
- Poetry - Character description - Instructions	

MATHS
In maths this term we will be learning about:
- Number: Place Value (within 10) - Number: Addition and Subtraction (within 10) - Geometry: Shape

PSRHE
In PSRHE this term we will be learning about:
- Being me in my world - Celebrating differences

RE
In RE this term we will be learning about:
- Colnbrook values - What does Christmas matter to Christians?

TOPIC	
Our project this term is:	**Childhood**
In the Childhood project, your child will learn words and phrases related to the passage of time. They will explore artefacts to help them to understand childhood in the past and how childhood has changed over time. They will explore the six stages of life and explore timelines and family trees. Everyday life in the 1950s will be explored, including shopping, transport, family life and childhood. They will also learn about the significance of Queen Elizabeth II's coronation in 1953 by studying photographs and online sources. The children will use maps to explore how places have changed over time and highlight any similarities or differences between childhood today and childhood in the 1950s. At the end of the project, they will create knowledge organisers for children who are about to study the topic of childhood.	
Geography	Our Wonderful World: This essential skills and knowledge project teaches children about physical and human features, maps, cardinal compass points, and positional and directional language. They learn about the equator, hemispheres and continents and are introduced to the countries, capital cities and settlements of the United Kingdom. The children carry out simple fieldwork to find out about local physical and human features.
PSHE	Being me in my world and celebrating differences.
Art and D&T	Fabulous Faces: This project teaches children about the concept of the portrait and how the collage technique can be used to make a portrait. Shade and Shelter: This project teaches children about the purpose of shelters and their materials. They name and describe shelters and design and make shelter prototypes.

	Children then design and build a play den as a group and evaluate their completed product.
Science	Everyday Materials: This project teaches children that objects are made from materials. They identify a range of everyday materials and their sources. Children investigate the properties of materials and begin to recognise that a material's properties define its use.
History	Childhood: This project teaches children about everyday life and families today, including comparisons with childhood in the 1950s, using artefacts and a range of different sources.
P.E	Health and Wellbeing and Playing Games
Computing	Online safety and starter computing skills

How you can help at home for this project
Activities for home learning: 1. Portrait sketching, painting, constructing. 2. Building shelters. 3. Looking at the differences between new and old toys. 4. Go shelter spotting – how many different types can you see? 5. Go on a learning walk using directional language to get about. 6. Perform your own science experiments using different materials. What would be the best choice to build your teddy a home? What would be the best material to make a swimming costume for your teddy? What can you find out about materials when using water, mud, sand? Useful websites Phonics play – phonics games Top marks – maths games Oxford owl – reading resources

Yours sincerely,

Ms Broderick

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Year 1 Class Teacher