

# Year 1 Newsletter - Autumn 2 - November 2020



Our topic this half-term is: “**Fabulous Fairy Tales**”.

**Literacy:** We are very excited to be moving onto our topic of Fairy tales. We will be delving into different stories, which will include lots of book talk, drama, developing new vocabulary, sequencing events and immersing ourselves in these exciting tales.

**Mathematics:** We are finishing the concept of addition and then moving on to the concept of ‘subtraction’, using different apparatus to help us calculate. This will involve practically taking away objects, crossing out, counting back using a numberline and solving simple subtraction problems.

**Science:** In Science we are looking at ‘growing’ including looking at the parts of plants. We will use our outdoor learning day to find out what is growing in our school grounds and we will plan a simple experiment to help develop our knowledge of how seeds grow.

**History:** We will be learning the key events of ‘The Gun powder plot’ and finding out why we celebrate Bonfire Night. This will include asking questions, acting out the story and writing about our favourite part.

**PE:** This half term we will be developing the children’s stamina by building and using multi-skills stations.

More details will come via Marvellous Me each week so look for the weekly updates.

## How you can help your child at home:

**Reading:** Share books with your child, using the weekly focus in their diaries. Please sign their diaries to show what reading they have been doing, we enjoy reading your comments and responding to them. Please keep practising your child’s keywords as it makes such a difference to their reading and writing.

**Spelling/Phonics:** Keep practising all of the phonic sounds we been learning this year and using them to read real and alien words. We are expecting most children to know all SS2 and SS3.

**Maths:** The children need to continue counting in 2’s and 10’s as it speeds up their calculations. Then they need to learn all the number bonds to 10, this includes the number bonds for all the numbers to 20 ie,  $1+9=10$ ;  $2+8=10$ ;  $3+7=10$ .  $1+19=20$ ;  $2+18=20$

## Outdoor Learning Day

Year 1 will be having an outdoor learning day on **Thursday, 19th November**. Please can your child wear leggings/tracksuit trousers and trainers or wellies with a coat suitable for the weather. School sweatshirts/cardigans should be worn on top.



## Water Bottle

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school



## Dates for your diary

### November

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Non-Uniform/pyjamas for Children in Need donation

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

INSET Day – school closed to children

**Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> November**

Photographer in School - Individual Photos

**Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> November**

Outdoor Learning day

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

Non-uniform in return for a donation for the Christmas raffle – more information to follow.

### December

**Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Jumper Day – Donation for Save the Children

**Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Children’s Christmas Lunch (no parents) – more information to follow

**Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Last day of term before Christmas break

## PE Days

PE takes place on Tuesday and Wednesday.

On **Tuesday** the children **need** to come dressed for outdoor PE in leggings/tracksuit trousers & trainers, with school uniform on top.

