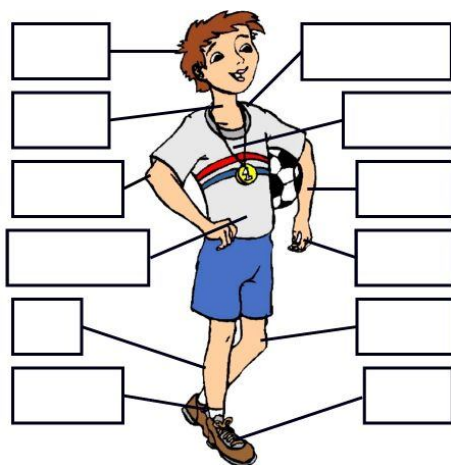


Welcome to Year 1!

Topic Work

Our topics for the Autumn term will be 'This is me' and 'Celebrations'. In the first half term we will be learning about ourselves. We will be thinking carefully about what we look like and how we are different from other people. We will also be thinking about likes / dislikes, things we are good at and things we need to improve and our families.

In the second half term, we will be learning about celebrations such as Guy Fawkes night, Diwali and ending with our Christmas performance in December.

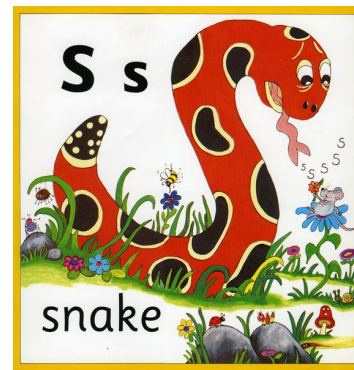


Show and Tell

We are always happy when the children have something to talk about in Show and Tell and we are always keen to promote confidence and speaking and listening skills. It would be great if the children had something to talk about related to our topic or if they visited anywhere at the weekend. The children will have the opportunity to Show and Tell on their reading day.

Phonics

We will be continuing phonics / letters and sounds and this will take place every day. Please continue to support your children by reading everyday and encouraging them to write in different ways e.g. shopping lists, stories, letters, postcards. Thank you.



Homework

Every Monday the children will have a little challenge to complete at home. The challenge will either be related to phonics or the current topic. Please encourage your child to have a go on their own but feel free to write any comments on how they got on with it. The homework should be handed in on the following Monday.

Reading / Guided Reading

Each child has a reading day (depending on their colour group). On this day they will be heard individually or take part in a guided reading session within a small group. Please remember to use the yellow learning journey to tell us about any reading you do at home. You can also use this book to communicate with us if you are unable to catch us in the morning / at the end of the day.



Uniform

All of the children look very smart. Please, please, PLEASE ensure that all children's clothes are named to avoid them getting lost or muddled up. Thank you.

Important / Urgent Notices

If we need to inform you about something urgently, we will place notices in the cloakroom windows. Please check the windows when you pick up the children.

Reminders to Students

- Bring PE kit on Monday and take it home on Friday
- Swimming is on Friday
- Book bags, bottles and learning journeys everyday



Reminders to Parents and Carers

- To promote independence across the school, children are encouraged to come into the classroom on their own at the beginning of the day.
- We always need newspaper, plastic containers for construction and plastic bags.
- From after half term you are more than welcome to come and help in class. Please try to tell us in advance so that we can plan for extra support.

Upcoming events

W/b 26th September - Harvest Festival Week

**Thank you for your continued support,
Mr Gardner, Mr Townsend, Mrs
Thompson, Miss Cheal and Mrs Roberts**