



Autumn Term 2019

KS1 Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We cannot believe that it is nearly Christmas, the Autumn terms seems to be flying by! Year one have continued learning about castles, including looking at Queen Elizabeth I as an important figure from the past. Year two have started their learning about Ice for their 'Fire and Ice' topic – very appropriate considering the change in the weather recently!

Nativity

We are approaching the busy time of the year when we can show off some of our acting and singing skills in the nativity! This year the title is 'The Sleepy Shepherd' and we cannot wait to share our performances with you (see below for dates and times) Just a reminder that costumes need to be brought in by Friday 6th December in a labelled carrier bag please.

- 1MS – Sheep
- 1AT – Angels (we are making halos)
- 2KB – Kings (we are making crowns)
- 2SJ – Shepherds

Reading Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended the KS1 phonics and reading meeting – we were blown away with the number of you that were able to come and hope that we can continue to work closely with you to ensure your children get the best possible reading opportunities going forwards.

Word Booklets

It has been an absolute pleasure to see so many children bringing their 'Word Booklets' back into school. These booklets have lots of words that need to be learnt and some of these words do not follow any spelling patterns. Just a reminder that children need to learn one set of words and then complete the activity on the opposite page. Each week a member of staff will check that your child can read and spell these words. If all the words in the word list can be read and spelt, then your child will be asked to move onto the next word list. If there are some words that they are unsure of we would like you to revisit the list and activity. It is important that the children only complete one word list each week to ensure that they have time to embed and apply these words throughout the week.

Parent Consultations

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who attended our recent parent consultations this half term. We love being able to share all the fantastic learning that is going on and feel that these meetings are an important opportunity for you to look through the books and see for yourselves what your children are exploring!

Reading Mornings

We are looking into creating a 'rolling' programme for our reading mornings so that they are not always on the same day. This will allow parents to attend some sessions if they are unable to make particular days. They will remain the same (see below) until Christmas but please be aware that in the Spring term the days will change.

Key Diary Dates (please watch our main newsletter and website for more up-to-date information)

Every Tuesday- Reading morning (Year 1 pupils)	
Every Wednesday- Reading morning (Year 2 pupils)	
Friday 6th December	Dress down day – suggested donation £1 to support the Christmas raffle
Thursday 12th December at 2pm	KS1 performance
Friday 13th December at 9:15am	KS1 performance
Friday 13th December	Christmas Jumper Day!
Friday 13th December at 3pm	Christmas raffle (school hall)
Monday 16th December (am)	EYFS and KS1 church visit
Monday 16th December (pm)	EYFS and KS1 Pantomime (in school)
Friday 20th December	Last day of term
Monday 6th January 2020	INSET for school staff
Tuesday 7th January 2020	Spring term starts for children

If you have any questions about the above, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the KS1 team. Although we may not always be able to speak to you in depth at the beginning or end of the day, you can make an appointment to see any member of the KS1 teaching staff after school to discuss any concerns/suggestions you may have.

Warm Regards,

Mr Trower and the KS1 Team