

Welcome back!

We hope that you have had a lovely holiday and are ready for an exciting year ahead in Year One!

### Autumn Term Themes

The theme for this term will be 'Mysteries'. We will be exploring our senses, changes including how we have changed over time, seasons, plants, weather, maps and routes of our local area and preparing and tasting fruit and vegetables. We will have a 'Victorian Day' where children are encouraged to come to school dressed up as Victorians and we will have a day of Victorian activities - we will keep you updated on a date for this.

#### Science

- The five senses
- Seasons including changes in the weathers, plants and trees, clothing, daylight
- Deciduous and evergreen plants and trees
- Wild and garden plants

#### Geography

- Labelling aerial photos and maps
- Using directional language
- Suggesting improvements for our local area
- Producing maps

#### History

- Learning about Queen Victoria
- Learning about Victorian school life
- Comparing old and new toys
- Looking at timelines including timelines of our own life

#### DT

- Making our own fruit kebabs

#### Art

- Studying the artist Andy Goldsworthy
- Making artwork inspired by Andy Goldsworthy

#### In Literacy

- Phase 4 phonics- reading and spelling words with Phase 3 sounds and phase 4 adjacent consonants
  - Writing simple sentences
  - Writing labels, lists and captions
  - Retelling a story
  - Writing a letter

#### In Numeracy

- Place value to 20
- Counting on and back from different points
- 2D and 3D shapes
- Number bonds to 10
- Addition and subtraction to 20

#### PSHRE

- Identifying similarities and differences between families
- To understand what makes a good friend
- To feel respect and valued

- How to keep safe online
- To know how to keep safe including respecting privacy and recognising some parts of the body are covered by underwear to keep private

Year One will also have the opportunity to work alongside part of the Hippodrome and take part in drama activities which will take place within the school.

### Reading Books

Children **must** bring in their homework bags every day to ensure additional members of staff are able to hear children read throughout the week as well as their class teacher hearing them read once a week. Children's reading books **must** be kept in their homework bags and therefore must be brought into school daily. Please ensure you look after their phonics home reading book as you will be fined for any lost/damaged books.

### Uniform, P.E lessons and Outdoor Learning

Your child will be taking part in P.E lessons every week. Please ensure that all kit and all uniform is clearly named to prevent any confusion during changing times! Please remember your child will need to bring the correct kit; a green Greenholm t-shirt, black shorts or black joggers, socks and black school pumps or trainers.

All children must wear the correct school uniform to school, this is not an exhaustive list: a green/white polo top, black shoes (no trainers), a grey dress, green gingham dress, grey/black trousers.

If you have not already, could you please supply your child with a pair of wellies to keep at school to ensure they can take part in outdoor learning activities all year round.

### Healthy Snack

During morning break children will be given the opportunity to buy food and drink including: toast, crumpets, yogurt, milkshake, flavoured water. Prices vary per item but we recommend a limit of £1 per day. If you wish for your child to bring in their own snack similar to what is available to buy that is allowed. In the afternoon, different fruit is provided daily as a snack but we encourage you to provide your child with an afternoon fruit in case they do not like the option available on the day. Please ensure that your child has water in a named water bottle and bring this into school daily.

### Punctuality

Just a reminder that the Year One gates will be open at 08:45 in the morning and registers will be submitted at 08:55. Any children who arrive after this time will be marked in as late. The gates open at 3:20pm in the afternoon. If you have any concerns or require additional information about your child during these times please speak to the members of staff that are on the gate in the morning.

Additionally, just a reminder, if your child has an accident and they borrow spare school uniform, could you please wash and return it as soon as possible.

Thank you for your ongoing support

The Year One Team