Parents in Partnership

All About Me

Year 1 Newsletter 13.9.19

We hope you have had a lovely summer holiday. The children are settling well in to Year 1 and are eager to show us what they know and learn new things.

Important Information

- Please can all clothing be labelled.
- Only water in water bottles.
- Book bag need to be bought into school every day with reading books and reading logs.

<u>Topic</u>

Our topic this term is All About Me. We will be discussing ourselves, toys, and pets. The children will also have opportunities to lead their own learning to find out more about what interests them. On Monday, please can children bring in one toy that can fit in their bag. This will be used in our topic and writing lessons.

Phonics

Children will be doing daily phonics to aid their reading and writing. During the first week in June there is the phonic screening which every child will participate in. There will also be an emphasis on common exception words and using these correctly in writing.

<u>Reading</u>

We encourage children to have reading experiences at home at least 4 time a week for about 10-15 minutes. The research on this is rock solid - reading is hugely beneficial for brain function and crucial from a young age! If there is any way we can support you in this, don't hesitate to talk to us. Do use the reading logs to keep us informed of any reading opportunities at home.

<u>PE</u>

PE is on a Monday and Wednesday. Please make sure that your child has the correct PE kit in school for these days. Could we also ask that all clothing is clearly labelled!

God Matters News

In RE, the children started the week with a liturgy about 'Creation'. We have spent time, discussing what the word 'Creation' means and talking about our own experiences and feelings.

Just to let you know, if you ever misplace a Parents in Partnership newsletter, they are all available on the school website.

<u>Helpful Hands</u>

On a daily basis we will have helpful hands. The children will get to help with little responsibilities in the classroom and be front/back line leaders. There will also be an opportunity for them to bring in one item for show and tell. They will only get show and tell on their helpful hands day.

<u>Homework</u>

Math homework will be sent home in big orange books on a Friday. Please be reassured that we do not expect this to be returned until the following Friday! Homework will consist of one piece of work to complete. This will match the lessons your child has had during the week. From Monday please can you encourage your child to get their reading book and reading log out of their bag and place it in the blue tray next to their water bottles.

<u>Star of the Day</u>

Every day we will award a star of the day to someone who may have shown us good behavior, an improvement or positive attitudes.

<u>Simba</u>

Simba is our class lion cub! He will go home with one child every weekend and we would like you to record anything you may do with him in the purple book. This is an opportunity for your child to write about their adventures and show their creative side by drawing us pictures.

House Points

Throughout every day at school the children will have opportunities to earn house points. These may be for good behavior, being courteous and holding the door open, listening, being kind to others, and lots of other opportunities.

<u>Thank you</u>

Thank you for your support. We appreciate all the efforts you make to support the children with their learning. Mrs Sloan, Miss Rogers and Miss Taylor.