



Year 1 Newsletter

November 2015



We love healthy snacks

We aim to be a healthy school and promoting healthy lifestyles is an important part of our curriculum.

Fruit, baked crisps and cereal bars are all examples of the things that you are packing to ensure children have a healthy start.

Thank you.



Rockets, dinosaurs and Cinderella!

A big thank you to everyone who attended the parental engagement activity. It was lovely to see you all again. We had some great fun making rockets and seeing how creative some of you parents are. We can see why the children are so good at making space rockets now!

Another thank you to all the volunteers who supported us on our trip to the cinema. We had a great time and really enjoyed watching Cinderella. We were (as always) so proud of our children's behaviour.

Surprising visitors

Key stage 1 had a surprise visit from some very interesting characters last week. The children and staff had the great pleasure of meeting baby Jake the Allosaurus and Millie the Tyrannosaurus Rex. The children learn lots of fantastic new facts about dinosaurs and were able to gain some experience of just how wonderful those creatures were. Children and staff were able to stroke and talk to the dinosaurs, which created some very interesting discussions afterwards.



Space Experts

We are really enjoying being Space Experts this half term. You won't believe how clumsy and forgetful some astronauts are! We have been able to help them out by working together as a team. We have been measuring objects to fit into the space station and helping our astronaut friend Bob with a list of items he needs to take with him on his space missions. We have written lists, instructions and stories too! We are looking forward to our end of project space party, as Bob will be jetting back off to space. We want to make sure that we give him a good send off. We will be making space cookies and space sandwiches, using our fabulous new cooking area.

Next half term we will be **Fairy Tale Problem Solvers**. Please find some time to read some fairy tales during the half term holiday with your child. Make a poster or picture of some of your favourite characters and try writing about them too! Can you re-write your favourite fairy tales?

Outdoor Areas

You will have noticed some changes to the outdoor areas in year 1. We are really enjoying working outside developing our speaking and listening and role play skills, making trails and building dens. We know that children learn so much from being outside. Not only English and Maths skills but importantly creativity, social skills, trying out different ideas and communicating plans.

Arriving on time

It is very important that your child is in school on time every morning in order to start the day with the rest of the class.

The first bell goes at 8:35 the second at 8:45. This gives children ten minutes to put their coats and book bags away and settle down ready to learn. At 8:45 when the second bell has gone the classroom doors are locked for the safety of the children in school. If you come after this time please go to the office. Thank you.

Christmas ...

We are starting to prepare for our Christmas Production. We are learning lots of great new songs and the children have been auditioning for the parts that they want to play. We have been amazed with the talent we have in year 1. I am sure you will be overwhelmed with the great singing and acting! Scripts will be coming out soon and it would be great if you could support your child to learn their lines and the songs.