Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 24th May 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

This week in Phonics, we have recapped all of the sounds covered in Year 1 so far in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check. We have revisited all of the Phase 5 tricky words taught so far. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.

This week, we have checked each child individually to see which sounds they know and which sounds they are still practising. We have sent a copy of this record home in each child's reading packet so we can continue working on these sounds together. All scheme books have been collected in today, so they can be checked over the holidays.

In Maths, we have been measuring length using non-standard units of measure, rulers and metre sticks. We have also focused on using the language shorter than, taller than and longer than, when describing and comparing items in the classroom. After the holidays, we will begin to explore weight and mass.

During the week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June, all pupils in Year 1 will be taking part in the Phonics Screening Check. It is a short, statutory assessment to ensure that children are making sufficient progress in the phonics skills to read words and are on track to become fluent readers who can enjoy reading for pleasure and for learning. By the end of the summer term each child's results will be reported to their parents/carers. The results will confirm if the child has met the standard threshold. Children who do not achieve the expected level will retake the test when they are in Year 2.

**Important:** During the first week back Year 1 will swim on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of June** instead of Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

We would like to congratulate the children for all their hard work this half term and we look forward to seeing you all when school re-opens on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Thank you,

Miss Hepworth and Miss Nicholson