



# Daisy, Cornflower and Marigold



## Year 1 Newsletter

If you are reading this in September, welcome back. We hope you have had a lovely Summer break. We have some fantastic learning opportunities this term that we look forward to sharing with you!

### Year 1 Learning

In Year 1, your child's learning begins to be more subject specific. Although we have threads of learning and connections between all that we do, children start to understand what it's like to be a scientist; a geographer; a historian etc. The following are the areas we will be investigating this term:

Geography: We will be studying our local area and comparing it to more built up areas, thinking about how the land is used and introducing vocabulary such as: rural, urban, town, country, farmland, etc.

History: We will be looking at different homes and houses from the past; and how life inside those houses have changed. In the second half of the term we hope to visit an historical house to experience this ourselves.

Science: In science we will be studying objects made from different materials. We will become scientists and investigate materials with different properties. Throughout the Year we will also be looking at Seasonal changes, this term we will focus on Summer - Autumn.

RE: Our work in RE this term will focus on Christians and what they learn from the Bible. We will be exploring Christian beliefs and link this to our celebrations at Christmas.

PSHE/PSE/SMSC: We will be making our own class charter for learning, thinking about a healthy body and keeping ourselves safe.

P.E. Multi-skills and Gymnastics

Art and DT: We will study the work of Van Gough and become artists ourselves and also make pictures and books with moving parts.

Music: We will be singing in groups, learning about the beat and performing for others.

Computing: Our initial focus will be on online safety and we will use our skills to create pictograms and to group and sort.

We hope this gives you a good introduction to what your child will be doing in the Autumn Term. We will be holding workshops and meetings for further parental guidance too.

### Reading Books

Our Year 1s will be bringing home books linked to their phonics ability by the end of the first full week in school. We are hoping to set up library visits weekly this term also. Please use the Go Read app to record when you share books with your child, and when your child reads to you.



### Activity Day

Our first activity day this year is on Friday 9th September. On this day we will be celebrating friendship. We won't be dressing up for this day - normal uniform please. We will be playing lots of friendship games, learning how to make new friends and reading stories of friendship.



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### School Web-Site

We like to keep everyone informed of what is happening in our school, so we ensure photos, blogs and work are sent to our school web site weekly. Please keep checking our website & blog page.

### Home Learning

Exciting new Home Learning activities are in your child's home learning book. Home learning can be handed into the basket on any day, however they are checked each

**Thursday.** Children are expected to **read to an adult a minimum of 3 times per week** and record this on the Go Read app. Children are rewarded for their reading on this app. We also ask that **spelling shed** is used each week please as spelling games are linked with school learning. A spelling quiz takes place every Friday in Year 1 and children will bring this home to share with you. Please support your child in doing the best they can.



### Special Days This Term

- Friday 9th September: Activity Day; friendship (uniform please).
- Tuesday 13th September 2.30pm in hall: 'Introduction to Year 1' Parent workshop.
- Wednesday 21st September: Fieldwork day in Laceby village.
- Tuesday 27th September 2.30pm in hall: 'Supporting your Year 1 child at home with Reading' Parent workshop.
- Friday 30th September: SMSC performance skills at MacMillan Coffee morning.
- Thursday 6th October: School photo day
- Tuesday 11th October 2.30pm in hall: 'Supporting your Y1 child at home with Maths' Parent Workshop.
- Wednesday 9th November 9.10 - 9.40am: Reading Breakfast.
- Second Half of Term TBC: trip out to historical home.

We hope you and your child are looking forward to this term as much as we are and can't wait to see you at some of these events. Any questions at all please do catch us at the end of the day, or call/e-mail the office and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as we can.

Many thanks

Mrs Smith, Mr Middleton and Miss Purshouse