



# Daisy and Pumpkin



## Year 1 Newsletter Page 1

We have some fantastic learning opportunities this term.

### 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; an 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. We will be doing a fieldwork study around Laceyby.

History: We will be looking at different homes and houses from the past; and how life inside those houses has changed.

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/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 be practising our observational drawing skills and exploring how texture can be created in drawings. We will look at the artists Bridget Riley and Zaria Foreman. We will also be making pictures 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 work on our computer skills using the mouse.

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

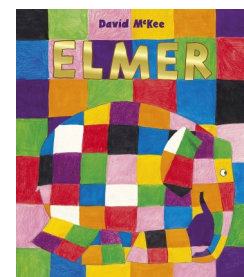
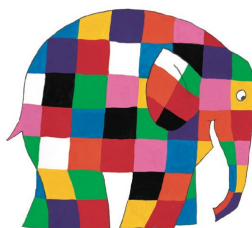
### Reading Books

Our Year 1s will be bringing home books linked to their phonics ability by the end of the first full week in school. Please use your Reading Diary to tell us when you share books with your child, and when your child reads to you.



## Elmer Day

Our first activity day this year is on Friday 6th September. On this day we will be celebrating friendship. Can children dress in lots of bright colours—just as Elmer does. We will look at how Elmer and his friends respect differences in themselves. We will celebrate our differences and our friendships through games, activities and craft.





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### School Web-Site

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

### 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 we ask that you help them to record this in their reading diary. We celebrate reading in class every Term.

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 6th September: ELMER Day: Friendship**
- **Tuesday 10th September 2.30pm in hall: 'Welcome to Year 1' Parent workshop.**
- **Wednesday 18th September: Jeans for Genes Day**
- **Thursday 19th September: Fieldwork day in Laceby village.**
- **Friday 20th September: Harvest Donations**
- **Friday 27th September: SMSC performance skills at MacMillan Coffee morning.**
- **Wednesday 9th October: Y1 Reading Breakfast 09.10 - 9.40am**
- **Wednesday 16th October: After school Craft Event**
- **Friday 15th November: Children in Need Day**
- **Monday 2nd December: Christmas Fayre**
- **Wednesday 11th December Y1 Christmas Nativity Play 2pm**

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

Many thanks  
Mrs Smith