



Primary 1 Room 1



Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome to Primary 1, Room 1. We are excited to share all of the fun learning that takes place in our classroom with you. In this Term 1 Newsletter we will tell you lots of information about your child's learning in P1 from now until October Week.

Literacy

In term 1 we will be focusing on developing the children's talking and listening skills and increasing their vocabulary. The children will work on their pencil control and scissor skills, they will also be provided with opportunities for mark making and writing. When reading our class book, the children will be discussing the author, illustrator, title of the story as well as making predictions about what happens next. The children will have the opportunity to read independently after these 4 weeks. The children will learn the sounds and names of some of the letters of the alphabet. This term the letters we will cover are – **a, t, s, i, p, and n**. We try hard to recognise these letters in the environment around us and to think of words that begin with these letters. We also carry out lots of activities which help us form these letters correctly.

This term the children will learn three spelling words per week. The words they will learn are – **a, at, the, I, in, it, and, as, an, is and here**. As well as trying to spell these words correctly, the children try to make up sentences which include these words in them.

As part of our reading programme we work alongside the children to read two books per week. We encourage the children to familiarise themselves with the mechanics of reading. We look carefully at the front and back cover, discuss the author, illustrator and the blurb. We enjoy looking at the pictures to help us understand the story and try to recognise some of our common words in the story. As a follow up task we ask the children to build a sentence which has been jumbled up from their book.

This term, we will take our inspiration for taught writing from our topic, *The Enormous Crocodile* by Roald Dahl. The children create black line drawings and we encourage as much detail as possible. The children then describe their picture to us and we write their description for them.

Maths

In maths, the children will practise counting up to 20 daily. We focus on numbers within 10, forming these numbers carefully and carrying out activities which will give the children an understanding of the quantity that each number represents. The children take part in SEAL activities which helps them develop foundations for understanding number. They also participate in Number Talks which helps children to develop their mathematical thinking.

In wider maths the children will be learning about 2D shapes and their properties.

Health and Wellbeing

In PE, the children will be working with both Mrs Murphy and Mrs Lang on a Tuesday and Wednesday. During this time we will concentrate on playing games with a focus on taking turns, encouraging peers and playing with others.

Twitter

Please follow us on Twitter to keep up to date with everything going on in Room 1 and for lots of pictures of your child's learning. Please search @MrsDMurphyBPS1.

Reminders

- P.E. is Tuesday and Wednesday. Children should come to school in their P.E. kit.
- Homework will be sent out but should not be returned to the school premises. You can upload pictures of the children's completed work on Teams.