



Topic: Toys Then and Now

Welcome back everyone! We all hope you had a wonderful half term break and are ready for what is sure to be a very exciting and busy half term.

Our topic in KS1 for this half term is “Toys Then and Now”. This is a history inspired topic which gives us an opportunity to explore toys from the past and compare them alongside toys that we see nowadays. We will also be looking at how different toys work, who they are aimed at and how they might move in different ways. In maths and English, the Year 1 and 2 children will access a range of age appropriate learning. Year 1 will be looking at numbers up to 10 and unpicking the patterns that we can spot inside these numbers. They will also be moving on to looking at 2D and 3D shapes. Year 2 will be looking at calculation this half term, aiming to be able to fluently add and subtract within 10 and apply this knowledge to larger calculations. We will then continue exploring place value to be able to add two 2-digit numbers. Our science topic for this half term continues to be ‘Animals including Humans’, focussing to start with on different animal diets. In RE, we will be looking at ‘Incarnation’ and exploring a range of bible stories linked to this theme.

As we continue to explore the curriculum in our home groups this year, the children will be accessing OAA (Outdoor Adventure Activities) in PE, where they learn a range of problem solving and teamwork skills. In music, the children will be working on singing and their understanding of pitch and in PSHE, the children will be looking at keeping safe.

All of the staff in the Key Stage One team are excited to our journey through Key Stage One this half term and we are always here to help or answer any questions you may have. Please don't hesitate to ask any of the team.

Thank you and we are looking forward to a hard working half term!
Mr Marshall, Miss Uney and the Key Stage One team

Reading and Spellings

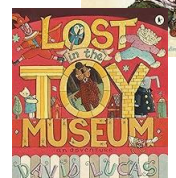
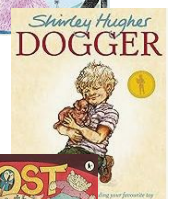
This year, your child will receive weekly spellings to learn. There will be information about sounds that have been learnt in school for the Year 1 children too as part of their spellings. These will be sent out every Friday and will be tested in school through a short spelling test the following Friday.

Reading books will be sent home on a Friday upon completion in school as part of our guided reading sessions. There will be more information regarding reading records coming out shortly.

Autumn 1 Class Texts

We will be exploring the following texts this half term:

Dogger by Shirley Hughes
Traction Man by Mini Grey
Lost in the Toy Museum by David Lucas
The Lost Property Office by Emily Rand



PE Kits and Forest Schools

Children in KS1 will be doing PE on a Monday with Mr Marshall and PE on a Friday with Mr Daddy. Please send children to school wearing their PE kit on both of those days.

Children in KS1 have Forest Schools this half term on a **Wednesday** afternoon. Please ensure appropriate warm and waterproof clothing is provided for this activity.