

YEAR ONE
Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Maths

In Maths this week, we continued comparing mass by stating what objects are heavier or lighter on a set of balance scales. We also looked deeper at the number 20 and learnt how it is made up of two tens and looked at how it can be represented in pictures. We practised finding one more and one less than a number up to 20. Next, we looked at a number line to 20 and practised using it to count up and back in ones. Some number lines started at different numbers, to get the children to consolidate their counting skills. They also had to identify a missing number on a number line, by counting from the start of the number line and up in ones.

Phonics

This week we have introduced the sounds 'ph' (phone, elephant, photo), 'le' (apple, beetle, sparkle), 'al' (total, final, equal) and 'c' (face, space, ice).

English

In SPaG this week, we have been looking at past and present tense. We played a game where we had to match past and present words into pairs (play/played or ride/rode). We used 'Colourful Semantics' in English to help us write sentences about the story of 'The Gingerbread Man'. Colourful Semantics uses colour coding as a way of helping children understand the structure of sentences. This is a tool we will use throughout Year 1 to improve the structure and complexity of our sentences.

PE

In PE we have been working on our jumping skills. We began by practicing bunny hops on and off a mat and then in different directions. Then we worked on our speed bounce skills, seeing how many jumps we could do over a small obstacle in 30 seconds. We then tried to beat our own time and improve our score.

History

For our castles topic this week, we learnt about the different ways that castles were attacked. Then we recapped what we already know about how castles defended their selves from attackers and sorted pictures into 'attack' or 'defence' categories.

Science

This week in science we described the physical properties of everyday materials and how they can be different (and similar) to one another.



RE

In RE this week we thought about 'Is it important for Christians to ask for forgiveness?' We looked at the parable of the Unmerciful servant and discussed the links with forgiveness and the meaning of 'forgive and you will be forgiven.' We spoke about how it is important to forgive others as well as asking for forgiveness ourselves when we have done something wrong.

Computing

The children enjoyed using the Beebots this week. Year 1 worked in groups to program the Beebots to manoeuvre around obstacles.



We hope you all have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Mockler, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Millar and Miss Hall

Spellings

born

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short

more

store

wore



Well done to our Year 1 Stars of the week,
Charlie D and Alexander!
Congratulations to our Bright Spark, Ruby M!

Optional spellings

forest

horse

before

score