

YEAR ONE
Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely half term! We have had a great week back to school in Year 1 this week and the children have been working so hard. We have a student teacher called Miss Barclay who joined us this week and will be with us until the 8th March. We are very lucky to have Miss Barclay supporting and leading some of the learning in Year 1!

Maths

In Maths this week, we began learning about time by thinking about what we do before, during and after school and the activities we do in the morning, afternoon and evening.

We also practised finding and making number bonds to twenty to by using ten frames and counters to help us. We then practised writing addition number sentences to represent the number bonds that we found.

English

We read 'Jack and the Beanstalk' in English and the children enjoyed joining in with the familiar phrases as we read the story aloud. We focused on describing the main characters of Jack and the Giant, writing clear sentences with adjectives and trying to include 'and', 'because' or 'when' to extend our sentences. We also looked at pictures of the Giant's castle on top of the clouds and wrote descriptions of the setting. We used our senses to help us describe the setting.

In SPaG, we have been working on adding the suffix 'es' to words that end in 'ch' or 'sh' (dish becomes dishes, church becomes churches).

RE

In RE we introduced our new topic of 'Salvation', where we are thinking about 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?'. This week we learnt about Palm Sunday and discussed why people were gathering to see Jesus and how he might have felt when riding a donkey through all the crowds of people cheering for him.

History

We thought about how we can find out about the past by reading books, looking online, going to museums, talking to other people and looking at artefacts. Then we looked at pictures of monarchs and castles from the past and present day and shared what we already know and what we can find out by looking at the pictures.

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Science

We began our new topic of 'plants' by looking at images of different plants and describing the similarities and differences. We shared what we already know about plants and thought of questions that we would like to ask to find out more. Then the children were each given a broad bean seed to draw and write descriptions of. This seed was then planted in a pot and watered. We will be observing our broad bean plants over the next few weeks, watching them grow and seeing how they change.

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PE

In PE we practised our ball control skills by trying to keep the ball close to us by doing small, controlled kicks and stopping the ball with the sole of our foot. The children moved around obstacles and tried using different parts of their feet and bodies to stop and control the ball, to see which was easier.

Castles Day – Thursday 28th March

On Thursday 28th March the children can come to school dressed up in a 'castles and fairy tales' theme (princesses, knights, dragons, etc). More information will be given nearer the time

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



Well done to our Year 1 Stars of the week, Lily and Eloise.
Congratulations to our Leybourne Bright Spark, Ella!

Spellings
copy
party
sticky
funny
happy
very

Optional spellings	
family	pony
busy	baby

