

# Year 1

January 2022

Dear Parents,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child to back to Year 1. We hope that you enjoyed your Christmas holiday and that the rest of this year will prove both happy and successful for all of us. Below we have included some information about the term ahead which we hope will be of use to you.

## Our Weekly Timetable

<b>MONDAY</b> Maths Focus Day	Registration	<b>Phonics</b>	Maths Input	Maths Learning Activities	Collective Worship	B	Maths Learning Activities	Maths Learning Activities	L	PE	B	Guided Reading	Maths Learning Activities	
<b>TUESDAY</b> English Focus Homework due in	Registration	<b>Phonics</b>	English Input	English Learning Activities	Collective Worship	R	English Learning Activities	English Learning Activities	U	Guided Reading	English Learning Activities	R	English Learning Activities	RE
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Topic Focus Homework Set	Registration	<b>Phonics</b>	Topic Input	Science	Collective Worship	E	Geography	Art	N	French	E	Guided Reading	Music	
<b>THURSDAY</b> Maths Focus	Registration	<b>Phonics</b>	Maths Input	Maths Learning Activities	Collective Worship	A	Maths Learning Activities	Maths Learning Activities	C	Guided Reading	Maths Learning Activities	A	Maths Learning Activities	PE
<b>FRIDAY</b> English Focus	Registration	<b>Phonics</b>	English Input	English Learning Activities	Collective Worship	K	English Learning Activities	English Learning Activities	H	Guided Reading	English Learning Activities	K	English Learning Activities	PSHE

## PE

This term we would like the children to come to school in their PE kits on the days we are having PE. Our PE sessions this term are on Monday and Thursdays and will usually be outside. Please ensure that your child wears an outdoor PE kit

(House coloured T-shirt, Black trousers / leggings and their school jumper).

## **Topics**

The topic this half term is 'African Adventure', which will be followed later in the term with 'The Great Fire of London'. There is a topic web included with this letter; the overview for 'The Great Fire of London' will go out at the end of this half term. There will be a number of opportunities for the children to say what they would like to explore within each topic. We encourage children to talk about their topic work at home and will link some Home Work to our topic. Dependent on Covid guidance we hope to organise an educational visit after half term, we will send you further information about this nearer the time.

## **Outdoor Learning**

During our learning time in Year One we will be completing activities each day that will be set up outside. Please ensure your child comes to school each day with a warm coat and layers to keep them warm whilst they are exploring the outside learning opportunities we will have set up each day.

## **Home work**

Regular Reading – In Year 1 we want to develop a love of reading. We expect the children to read at home at least three times a week and will change their books often. Please ensure your child brings their book to school every day, we will be listening to them read individually and as a group throughout the week. In order for the children to develop a greater understanding of the texts they read we expect each book to be read through several times before we will change it. This will help the children to embed their comprehension skills as well as their ability to decode and read the text, which in turn will help to develop their vocabulary understanding and their expression as they read. We will reward the children who read at least three times a week with a house point, these will be given out every Friday. To aid their love of reading the children will be visiting the school library every week and during the visit will be able to select a book of their choice to share with you at home.

Spellings – We will be setting spellings each week and testing the following week. The spellings will be based upon the sound or spelling pattern we are learning that week, sheets will be sent home each Wednesday.

Maths and English – We will alternate activities with Maths one week and English the next. These tasks will be stuck into your child's Home Work book and also uploaded to the Google classroom every Wednesday. The homework is due in on Tuesday mornings, please ensure your child brings their book to school with them even if they have not yet completed their homework. We will also be setting activities on the Mathletics Website. Mathletics log in information is stuck in the front of the Home Work book.

Please complete all Home Learning in pencil not pen.

## **Communication**

We value a good relationship between home and school and we want you to share any celebrations or concerns with us. Communication will continue to be by email, using [schoolsupport@aepri.co.uk](mailto:schoolsupport@aepri.co.uk), by phone on 01420 83094 or, if less urgent, a note in your child's Reading Diary.

We look forward to welcoming Parent Helpers when we are able to.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Vincent, Miss. Corlett & Mrs. Pither