

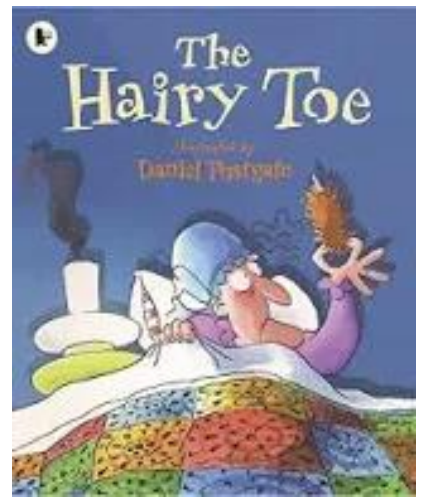
YEAR ONE
Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children sang their 'Bean Harvest' song on Wednesday in front of the rest of the school as part of our Harvest Festival celebrations. The children did so well performing the song with all of the actions too. Thank you also for all of the food donations that the children brought in.

English

This week, we read 'The Hairy Toe' by Daniel Postgate. It is a traditional tale about an old lady who discovers a hairy toe and brings it home. She quickly regrets that decision when the owner of the toe comes looking for it! The children began their writing this week by describing the old lady's house with creaky doors and beautiful flowers in the garden. Then they came up with some brilliant plans for how the old lady could trap the monster if he ever tried to come back! Next, the children thought about what the monster would do with his hairy toe now that he had it back. The children loved watching a video of Julian Clary reading 'The Hairy Toe' on Youtube. Here is the link if you wish to see why we have been talking about the hairy toe all week!



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SU8E-RkuVEC>



Maths

In maths this week, the children consolidated their understanding of the greater than, less than and equals symbols to compare numbers and groups of objects. Then we practised counting groups of objects and ordering them from least amount to the greatest amount. Today, the children did a great job at ordering three or more numbers from smallest to biggest, and biggest to smallest. This is a great game to play at home, practising ordering numbers:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ordering-and-sequencing/caterpillar-ordering>

Phonics

In phonics this week, the children recapped the new sounds we have learnt this term and have practised reading and writing these sounds in words and sentences.

PE

We had the apparatus out for PE again this week and the children continued to work on their balancing techniques, as well as jumping off apparatus safely and in different ways.

Science

In science this week, we started thinking about the seasons and looked at what changes we see in the Autumn. We discussed what animals we might spot and went on an autumn walk around the school to see what different coloured leaves we could find.

Religious Education

In RE this week, we looked at the parable of The Lost Son again and thought about how the love between a father and a son goes both ways. Then we discussed the different ways that Christians show their love to God through prayer, worship, singing and celebrating God.



Computing

Year 1 had their first computing session using the laptops on Monday. They learnt how to login correctly, practise their mouse skills by playing a click-and-drag game and shutdown the laptops too. Here is the link to the game, if they would like to practise using a mouse, or mousepad at home: <https://studio.code.org/s/course1/lessons/3/levels/1>

Home Learning

Thank you all so much for reading with your child at home, it is so important and makes such a difference to their confidence and progress. On Seesaw, I will start to add some activities that are linked to our learning at school that your child can try at home. These will always be optional tasks with no time limit.

Welcome to Grace T

We were very lucky to have Grace join Year 1 this week. All of the children in the class have been so friendly, welcoming and helpful towards Grace and we can't wait to have lots of fun in Year 1 together! ☺

Woodland Learning

Next week, our Year 1 Woodland Learning session will be on **Thursday 10th October**, instead of the Monday. This is also World Mental Health day, where the children can wear yellow, so the children can bring in their yellow clothes to change into after Woodland Learning.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Mockler, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Glennon