

YEAR ONE  
Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Maths

This week in maths, we began by recapping doubling numbers to ten. Next we looked at near doubles, with the idea that if we know  $3+3 = 6$ , then  $3 + 4$  will be one more than double 3. We also revisited subtraction this week, looking at ways we can solve subtraction calculations by using counters or jumping back on a number line.

English

This week, we have been learning 'We love Doughnuts', a poem by Greg Bottrill. The children will be performing this to the school next week on World Book Day and have been doing a fantastic job, so far! Our writing this week has been linked to the poem and the children have been making up potions and writing descriptions of what they would turn their teachers into if they drank the potion!

PE

We have been practising our running skills in PE this week. The children tried hard to coordinate their arms and legs to run with high knees and to kick their feet up behind them. They found running with high knees much trickier when running from cone to cone, than on the spot but they all tried so hard!

Science

We began our topic about plants this week. The children described what makes a plant a plant and made comparisons between plants and things that are not plants. One of our rainbow challenges this week was for the children to draw and label parts of a plant and the children did a great job.

History

We learnt about Queen Victoria this week. We learnt some key facts about her life and the children were quizzed on deciding if facts about her were true or false.

Religious Education

In RE this week, we learnt about Palm Sunday. We discussed how Jesus might have felt riding into Jerusalem with crowds of people cheering his name. We also thought about how it might have felt to be in the crowd too. The children made their own palm leaves and acted the scene out in class.



### Phonics

The children have learnt 'are' (care), au (dinosaur) and 'oor' (door, poor) this week. They have also been practising real and fake words with all of our previously learnt sounds in.

### Woodland Learning

Our next dates for Woodland Learning are Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March and Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

### Castles and Fairytales day –Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

We will be having our Castles and Fairytales Day at the end of this term. The children can come to school dressed up as a knight, prince, princess, dragon or any fairytale character they wish. I will send out more details nearer the time but wanted to give you enough notice so the children can plan their outfits!

### Reminder

**World Book Day is on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March.** The children can come to school dressed as a book character of their choice. Please get in touch if you would like your child to borrow a costume from our Year 1 dressing up area as we have a little selection.

### Home Learning

Our spellings for this week are for our new 'are' sound.

Spellings
care
scare
dare
bare
share
rare

Hope you have a lovely weekend!  
Mrs Mockler, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Glennon

