

Welcome back to this busy and festive time of the year, fun-filled with Christmas activities and performances.

We are really pleased with the way the children have settled into the new routines of Year 1, thank you for all your support.

Please can we remind you that all of your child's belongings need to be clearly labelled.

Please also ensure your child has a water bottle in school and a full P.E. kit in school.

About the topic

This topic encourages children to take a walk outdoors to explore the seasonal changes. What should we wear today? Wellington boots? A sun hat? Maybe a warm coat? What will the weather be like today? What weather do you prefer? Sunshine, snow, storms or showers?



We will also be celebrating the exciting range of festivals and celebrations.



Autumn Term 2 Newsletter – Year 1

'Splendid Skies'



Reading at home

Please continue to read with your child daily for at least 10 minutes and remember to sign their reading record. We hope that children can be supported at home as it makes all the difference to their progress. Children can change their book daily if they wish and must take responsibility to remember to put it in the basket in the morning to be changed. We expect your child to be reading at **least 3 times per week.**

Also, please practise spellings with your child to be tested every Monday!

Our Learning

In **Literacy**, we shall be focusing on Poetry; Lists and Instructions; Postcards and Non-chronological reports. We will continue to work on letter formation and handwriting, making sure that all of our letters are correctly formed with leaders and joiners. We are also focusing on using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

In **Maths**, we will be looking at addition and subtraction sentences; 2D and 3D shapes and Money.

In **Science** we will be observing changes across the four seasons; observing and describing weather associated with the seasons and how the day length varies.

In **Art** we will develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space.

In **Geography** we will identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK and the location of the North and South Poles.

In **PE** we will be doing gymnastics, to develop balance, agility and co-ordination.

In **ICT** we will be using the green screening technique to make a weather report.