



# Year One Newsletter



8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Welcome back!

## **Literacy**

This half term in Literacy we will be reading traditional tales and alternative versions of these stories, to write our own stories. You could help your child by reading some of these stories at home e.g Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Little Red Riding Hood, Jack and the Beanstalk. Please discuss with your child the characters, settings, beginning, middle and end of the stories that you read together. In school we will be acting out and re-telling these stories and writing about them. We will be using these ideas to make up our own versions of traditional tales.

We will continue to practise using adjectives in our writing as well as the conjunction 'and'. We will be making sure that we use capital letters correctly in our work for the beginning of a sentence as well as for names and places. We will also be checking our own work to ensure that it makes sense.

Please keep up with daily reading and practise correct letter formation at home.

## **Maths**

We will be continuing to solve addition and subtraction problems and practising quick recall of number facts, such as knowing number bonds to 10, then extending to 20. We will continue to recognise British coins and use them to solve simple addition and subtraction problems. We will also be completing work to do with capacity and weight as well as learning to tell the time to o'clock and half past.

The children need to practise recognising numbers up to 100 forming numbers correctly, please continue to practise this at home.

## **Topic Work**

This term our topic is "Twisted Tales", during the half term we will be looking at different materials and investigating which is the best structure to make a home for the Three Little Pigs. We are going to use globes, atlases and the internet to compare houses in different countries. We will also learn about Chinese New Year and will be looking at how Winter differs from other seasons.

## **Science**

This half term we will begin to look at everyday materials and looking at the properties such as bendy, shiny, dull, stretchy etc. We will be looking at which materials are waterproof and not waterproof.

## **Challenge**

Using what we have learnt through topic and science we will be challenging the children to design and make a house for the Three Little Wolves that will be strong enough to withstand an attack from the Big Bad Pig.

## **ICT**

This half term we are learning about coding. We will be looking at making objects move on the computer by inputting different instructions.

## **Reminders**

Please could you bring PE kit every Monday. our timetabled day for PE in year 1 is Wednesday.

If you feel your child's reading book needs changing, please place it in the designated place in your child's classroom. It is not always possible to read with all the children every day, so please be patient if you do not have your child's book changed daily. Please make sure that you sign or make a comment on each book when you have heard your child read so we know how they are reading at home.

Thank you for your continued support.

The year 1 team.