

Kingsthorpe Grove Primary School

Year 1 Newsletter



Autumn Term 2

This is our termly Newsletter for your child's year group. Find out what the children will be up to this term as well as our Head Teacher and Sports Newsletters.

Please also see the dates for your diary!

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| 30th October 2023 | School opens for children |
| 30th October | 1DM Salcey Forest |
| 31st October | 1MO Salcey Forest |
| 7th November | Phonics workshop - 08:50 |
| 13th November | Anti-bullying week |
| 17th November | Children in Need |
| 21st November | School photos |
| 24th November | Foundation week outcomes from 3pm |
| 8th December | Christmas jumper day |
| 12th December | Derngate production of Stick Man - Years 1 and 2 |
| 18th December | Christmas Production - Years 1 and 2 |
| 20th December | Christmas party afternoon |
| 20th December | Last day of term |
| 4th and 5th January | Training Day – no children |
| 8th January | School opens for children |

If you have any questions regarding this term then please message your child's class teacher on Class DoJo or email:

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Welcome back!

Welcome back, we hope that you had a lovely half term and the children have come back eager and ready to learn!

The staff in Year 1 are:

1MO - Mrs O'Farrell (class teacher) Miss Shaw (Teacher Assistant)

1DM- Mrs Dunkley and Miss Munro (class teachers) Mrs Ali (Teacher Assistant)




Mrs Davidson and Mrs Holman (SEN Teacher Assistants) additional support for individual children across the Year 1 classes

PE—Wednesday afternoon

Please make sure your child comes to school in their school uniform. They will need to bring their P.E. kit with them to school in a separate bag, Your child will need their coloured t-shirt, black or navy joggers/shorts and trainers. Please could you ensure that all items are named. Long hair must be tied up and earrings/jewellery must be removed.

Homework

Your child will come home with spelling homework every week on a Friday, This will comprise of four common exception words, these are words that the children can not phonetically sound out and need to learn to recognise and write them. These will be continued to be embedded during Literacy inputs and phonics. There isn't a spelling test.

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Your child will continue to come home with a book from our reading scheme, a book and from the library. Depending on the phonic group that they are in, they will also bring home a story book linked to the sounds that they have learnt and are reading within phonics. Ideally, it would be beneficial to read daily with your child, but expectations are three times a week. Occasionally we will send homework for English and Maths, this will be linked to what your child is learning.

English

This term we will be learning the story 'The Gruffalo', focusing on characters and journeys. The children will continue to develop their skills for writing, this includes using capital letters, finger spaces, full stops, and using Fred talk The children will use adjectives (describing words), connectives (a word that joins one part of a text to another, verbs (action words and conjunctions (words that link other words, phrases or clauses). We will be introducing similies (comparing two things using the words like or as) for example 'The house is as clean as a whistle'.

Maths

This term the children will be looking at number and place value within 20 . We will be counting forwards and backwards. We will continue to learn how to solve addition and subtraction problems within 20. We will also be looking at measurement focusing on length and height. The children will continue to develop their number fluency, focusing on subitising within 10. Subitising is the ability to recognise the number of objects in a set without counting. Subitising allows the children to develop the skills to see the subsets, parts of the whole number. This is the conceptual foundation for calculation.



Phonics

Your child will continue to have daily small group phonics lessons. They will continue to apply the sounds that they have learnt, by decoding and reading words with the sounds that they are learning, reviewing words with sounds that they have already learnt. They will apply their phonic knowledge to write words with the new and previously learnt sounds. Depending on the group that they are in they will also look at decoding multisyllabic words. If you would like to watch a video on how to pronounce these sounds in all of the sets, please type in 'Read Write Inc sounds for parents,' on Google.

Science

This term in Science we are exploring the seasons. We will begin to develop skills to identify what season it is by using our senses. We will be observing and discussing changes in the seasons. We will have the opportunity to roleplay being a weather forecaster!

Snack

We provide a healthy snack for your child every day at school. We ask for £1 a week to support with this. You can pay weekly or termly. Please give this to your child's class teacher.

School uniform

Please ensure all school uniform has your child's name on. Please also ensure that if your child requires spare clothes they are bought in a separate bag. Please could all spare clothes be named as well.

If you have any questions regarding this term then please message your child's class teacher on Class DoJo. Thank you for your continued support.