Spring 1 Newsletter – Year 1

Dear Parents,

We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed the break.

Here is an overview of the subjects we will be covering in Year 1 during this half term:

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| English | Read, Write Inc. |
| Mathematics | Mathsnoproblem – Numbers to 20, ordering, comparing, addition and subtraction within 20. Shapes and patterns – Recognising shapes and solids. |
| Geography | Famous London landmarks. Countries that make up the United Kingdom. |
| Science | How do you make bread? Making bread to see the changes during baking.  How does it feel? Exploring everyday materials using our sense of touch.  What makes the loudest sound? Which everyday material makes the loudest sound? |
| History | The Great Fire of London. |
| PSHE | Growing and Changing. |
| Music | Traditional songs – London bridge is falling down, London’s burning. |
| RE | The Creation. |

This term our topic is going to be ‘Bright Lights, Big City’. We will be learning all about London and our Royal Family. Our research will take us back in time to the Great Fire of London and to famous London landmarks, as well as giving us an understanding of what it’s like to live in a big city.

Resources needed for this half term:

* Cereal boxes and smaller boxes to create a Tudor house. (Please bring into school on Monday 20th January)
* Research about London or our Royal Family. Please bring into school during our ILP weeks ( Monday 20th January – Friday 31st January)

Dates for this half term:

* Monday 20th January. The children are invited to bring their slippers (or bed socks) into school today. We will be having a film and popcorn morning to get us ready for our topic.
* Tuesday 21st January Partake Theatre company will be in school to work with the children on the Great Fire of London.
* Wednesday 22nd January 9.30am onwards. Parents/Grandparents are invited into school for model making with the children. We will be making Tudor houses to link with our Great Fire of London topic.

Spellings

We will be starting our Spelling tests this half term. Every Friday, beginning on Friday 10th January, your child will receive a set of 5 or 10 spellings. They will then have a week to practise these spellings ready for the test on the following Friday. These spellings will consist of words that Year One children are expected to know how to spell. We will test the children first thing on a Friday morning and will endeavour to mark their books during the day so that they can show you how many they got in their test at home-time. The children will bring out their spelling books to show you their score on a Friday evening and will then return their books so that they are kept in school at all times.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year and we look forward to another fun filled term. Many thanks for your support.

Mrs F. Wilson, Mrs J.Hill & Mrs S. Wright