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## Book bags

Your child will be heard read in school and this will supplement reading activities in lessons. Your child will bring home a book that is matched to their phonic knowledge. Please hear your child read at home for ten minutes every evening and write a comment in the reading diary. Books will be changed once a week. We would appreciate it if you could ensure your child brings their reading book and record in their book bag to school every day.

## PE

Our PE day is Monday. Please make sure earrings are removed on these days otherwise your child will be unable to participate. Your child will be expected to come into school in their PE kit, they can wear joggers and their St Martin's PE top. PE will mostly be done outside, weather permitting, so please ensure that they have trainers and a lightweight jacket.

# Year 1 Curriculum Leaflet

## Autumn Term

Welcome to Year 1. We are very much looking forward to working with you and your child this year. In this leaflet you will find out about what your child will be learning in all areas of the curriculum during this term and some ideas about how you can help at home.

We see this as a great opportunity for you to share in your child's education.

Thank you for your support!

Miss Ferguson and Miss Marsh

## RE

In RE children will be learning about creation. They will be learning how God made the universe and have opportunities to reflect on how beautiful our world is and how we should care for the world we live in.

## Our Topic

This half term our topic is all about toys!

Children will be developing skills in all areas of the curriculum through this topic. Your child will have the opportunity to explore toys from many different ages and compare them to modern toys. They will also be able to design and create their own puppets, learning new skills such as sewing.

*We'd love for you to get involved and help your child get a better understanding of the topic. You could:*

- Research toys on the internet – what were toys in the past made of and how is this different to what toys of today are made of?
- Tell your child about what you liked to play with when you were their age
- Help your child to find out what their grandparents played with
- Think about whether we have any toys today that have been around for decades

## English

During English lessons children will be reading many stories linked to toys. They will be using adjectives to describe the toys and will also explore poetry through list poems.

When writing, they will be practising forming letters correctly and learning to spell words from the Year 1 word list correctly. They will also rehearse basic skills such as using finger spaces, remembering capital letters and full stops and writing on the lines.

## Phonics

To teach phonics we follow the Read Write Inc programme (RWI). We will be working really hard with your child to ensure that they can read all their sounds and apply them when word reading.

## Science

Our topic for science this half term is trees. Children will be identifying the features of trees and discussing the differences between evergreen and deciduous as well as learning to identify and name some common trees.

They will also begin to learn about seasonal changes along with events that take place during the different seasons.

## Maths

In Arithmetic children will be acting out, reading, writing and solving addition and subtraction maths stories using whole cups as well as stories with zero, a half and a quarter cup.

In Geometry they will be learning how to correctly hold and use a ruler to draw straight lines as well as how to read instructions for making a shape from a grid. Children will also learn to identify and name 2D shapes and begin to describe them.

In Data and Measures children will make shapes and count the sides, calculate the perimeter and understand 1cm, 1dm and 1m.

In Reasoning, children will look for information in pictures and understand what same value, different appearance means.

## Don't forget ...

- Your child must wear their P.E kit to school on Mondays.
- Please make sure your child brings their book bag every day.