



Key Stage 1 - Newsletter



Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely summer holiday. We are looking forward to a new year at Orchard. We would like to wish a very warm welcome to Miss Fawcett who is a School Direct student carrying out her teacher training in class 2JT. We look forward to the forthcoming year and exciting events that are happening this term.

We always like this term, working with our new classes and getting ready for the build up to Christmas.

Curriculum Focus

Our topic for the whole of the Autumn Term is going to be all about:

'What do you see where the land meets the sea?'

First Half Term

Geography - concentrating on geographical vocabulary and the features of Britain's coastline.

Art - Painting a coastal landscape. Colour mixing.

Computing - computer coding using Beebots and Purplemash.

Science - looking at different materials and how they float and sink.

Design and Technology - Sewing - Making a poppy.

Music - Carnival of the animals - aquarium. Looking at percussion instruments.

PSHE - Our special visit to 'The Cottage' café - ordering and paying for food.

Second Half Term

History - Commemorating the end of World War 2 1918-2018

Science - Marine habitats and looking at the Great Barrier Reef.

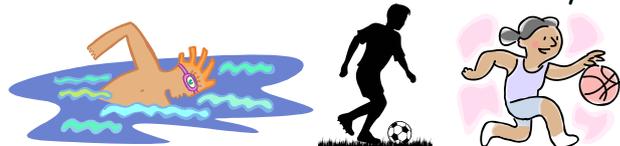
Geography - Contrasting location - Australia.

Design and Technology - Making underwater diorama.

Art - Aboriginal Art.

Christmas - Learning and performing our Christmas production and other fun Christmas games and activities.

RE - Runs throughout the term looking at Old Testament Bible Stories and The Nativity.



P.E - continues throughout the term covering Dance, Gym, Games and Swimming. Please remember labelled P.E kits on these class days:

Monday afternoon - KS1 P.E with Mr Davies

Wednesday morning - Swimming for KS1

Please remember no earrings on PE and swimming days. Please leave at home if possible. Please see your child's teacher if there is a problem.



☺ Dates to remember ☺

- ☺ Friday 28th September - MacMillan Coffee Morning
- ☺ Monday 1st October - 1/2G Class visit to The Cottage Café
- ☺ Tuesday 2nd October - 2JT Class visit to The Cottage Café
- ☺ Tuesday 2nd October Year 2 SATs Meeting
- ☺ Friday 5th October - 1M Class visit to the Cottage Café
- ☺ Tuesday 9th October - Individual School Photos
- ☺ Tuesday 9th October - Thursday 11th October - Parents Evenings
- ☺ Thursday 25th October - Halloween Disco 3.30-4.30 Nursery - Year 2
- ☺ 29th October - 2nd November - School Closed - Half Term
- ☺ Monday 5th November - Inset Day - School Closed
- ☺ Tuesday 6th November - Inset Day - School Closed
- ☺ Friday 16th November - Children in Need
- ☺ Tuesday 20th November - Flu immunisation
- ☺ Thursday 6th December - Christmas Fayre
- ☺ Thursday 13th December - Key Stage One Christmas Play
- ☺ Friday 14th December - Key Stage One Christmas Play
- ☺ Wednesday 19th December - Whole school Christmas Dinner
- ☺ Thursday 20th December - Key Stage One Christmas Party
- ☺ Friday 21st December - break up for the Christmas holidays.

A Little Note

Reading

We really enjoy and appreciate any parents that can come in and help with listening to their children read. If you are available to do so please contact your child's class teacher.

It really does make a HUGE difference!

Remember reading at home is very important! Sign and date your child's reading diary 3 times a week so that they can get a star from their class teacher.

Parental Help

We are grateful for all your help last year. If any parents are willing to help with any of the craft activities or reading in class or cooking this term please would they see their child's class teacher.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a weekly basis. This will consist of spellings and/or phonics/handwriting a maths activity (this may be a game, a worksheet, investigation or a program on Education City)

Please make sure your child returns their homework on the days specified by their class teacher.

Cooking - We are hoping to continue with various baking activities throughout the coming term.

We would be very grateful if you would be willing to donate £2 to help towards the cost of ingredients.

