

KS1 NEWSLETTER

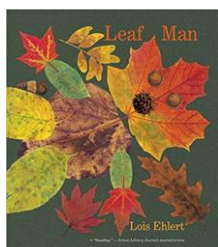
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Welcome back to school. We are looking forward to a very busy, fun filled half term leading up to Christmas this year.

We will start the term by learning about Autumn and the British Woodland and then go onto our next new and exciting topic called 'A Sackful of Toys'.

The children will be going on a woodland walk to learn about the trees and wildlife in the woods as well as identify changes in the woods during the Autumn. They will learn how to name, group and classify different trees and collect fallen foliage from trees to make collages of leaf characters similar to those in the Leaf Man book by Lois Ehlert. The children will also learn how to paint Autumn landscapes using watercolours and pastels during their art lessons.



In literacy the children will engage in work related to toys such as writing letters, reports, poems, instructions and stories.

They will read books about toys that come to life and engage in role play activities about toys visiting them at school. The children will also create a movie and write their own adventure story about the 'Naughty Bus' inspired by the author Jan Oke.

During music and P.E., the children will design and make a toy town and learn songs and dances about toys. They will also learn about how toys have changed throughout time during their history lessons.

The children will develop their numeracy skills by solving a range of problems such as buying and selling toys within the class shop and sorting toys into different groups. They will also learn how to write instructions (algorithms) for computer games and beebots during their ICT and computing lessons.

The children will be bringing home a song sheet this week as we have started practising for their Christmas Play. Please could you help them to learn their words by encouraging them to sing their songs at home.

Morning Routines

If possible, please could you bring your child into class in a morning and stay with them for 5 – 10 minutes while they change their reading book, practise their handwriting and their spellings. We encourage the children to form their letters in a cursive script starting from the bottom left of the loop as this makes it much easier for them to start joining their letters together when they are ready.

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Hometime

REMINDER – KS1 HOMETIME IS 3.15PM.

Please could you stand well back from the doors, away from the canopy, to ensure that all of the children leave safely.

Homework

Your child will bring home a reading book, spelling sheet and home-school diary every night. Please could you listen to them read and help them to practise their spellings on a daily basis. This will then need to be recorded in their home school diary and brought into school every day. They will also bring home a homework challenge each week on a Monday, to be returned on Thursday.

P.E.

P.E. days are as follows:

Yellow 1 – Mrs Padley and Mrs Moore – Monday and Friday

Yellow 2 – Miss Jones - Tuesday and Thursday

Yellow 3 – Mrs Cahill and Mrs Leavesley - Tuesday and Friday

Yellow 4 – Mrs Spencer - Tuesday and Thursday

Yellow 5 – Mrs Asvadi - Tuesday and Friday

Your child will need their P.E. kit including plimsoles/trainers, NO JEWELLERY PLEASE. Please could you ensure that your child's PE kit and uniform is CLEARLY LABELLED so that it doesn't get lost. It may be easier to leave your child's P.E kit at school on their coat peg throughout the week as they are now having at least two P.E. lessons each week.

Dates for your diary

Monday 11th November – Antibullying week begins

Tuesday 12th November – Odd Socks Day (children wear full uniform but odd socks to support antibullying)

Thursday 14th November – Book Fayre begins - gym after school

Friday 15th November – Children in Need Day (Non Uniform Day, £1 donations welcome)

Different days next week – Woodland Walk for each class– day dependent on weather

Tuesday 12th December - KS1 Christmas Play

Monday 16th December - KS1 Christmas Party



If you have any questions or queries, please come in to see us either first thing in the morning or after school. We are available most days.

Thank you for your support.

KS1 Class Teachers

Mrs Moore, Mrs Padley, Miss Jones, Mrs Leavesley, Mrs Cahill, Mrs Spencer and Mrs Asvadi