

Year 1 News

November 2020

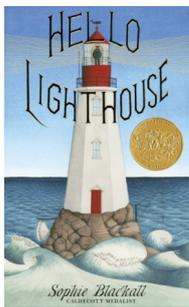


A big welcome back after the half term holiday — we hope you are all rested and ready for more learning! We are looking forward to our visit from the 'History Van' this half term: the children will get the chance to take part in an interactive workshop centered around the Sheffield Floods. Our Christmas performances will look a little different this year. As we are unable to invite parents into school, we will be recording our performances and securely releasing a video for parents to view. More details to follow.



English

In English, we will be continuing with our Read Write Inc. lessons every morning. During this first hour, children will be learning new phonic sounds, practising spellings and reading appropriate level books.

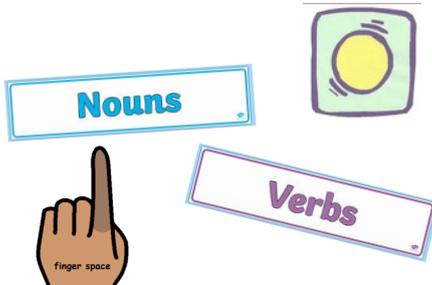


Alongside the programme, we will be reading a range of non-fiction texts linked to our enquiry question 'What makes me, me?'. In our theme lessons, we will be looking at 'Hello Lighthouse' by Sophie Blackall.

We will also be focusing on sentence composition using oral rehearsal before writing: 'Think it! Say it! Write it! Read it!'



Our grammar focus will continue to be learning about nouns and verbs as well as simple punctuation, including full stops, capital letters and finger spaces.



Science

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Our science theme for this half term will focus on weather and seasonal changes. We will be looking at changes that occur across the four seasons as well as observing and describing weather associated with the different seasons. The children will be looking at weather forecasts and creating their own weather diaries.

History

Linked to our science theme, we will be looking at cases of extreme weather, particularly flooding. The children will learn about the Great Sheffield Flood (1864) and what life was like at this time, as well looking at the more recent flood in 2007.



Maths

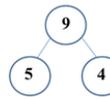
We begin the half term with a recap of two digit numbers and place value. This includes recognising numbers to 20 and beyond, identifying the tens and ones in 2 digit numbers, and ensuring we write our digits in the correct position (e.g. 26 and 62).



We will then work on addition and subtraction using Numicon and number lines to support with problem solving.

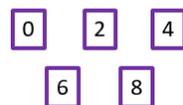


We will also be consolidating number bonds to 10 and 20 and introducing children to the 'part, part, whole' model.

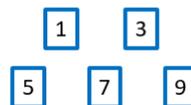


Towards the end of the half term we will be looking at odd and even numbers.

Even Numbers end in



Odd Numbers end in



Art

This half term the children will be developing the skill of colour mixing and blending. Inspired by the work of Hokusai and David Hockney, the children will be creating their own water picture.



PE

The children's PE lessons this half term will continue to develop core skills and strength. Please note the change of days for Y1M. PE days for Year 1 are as follows:



Y1H: Tuesday & Wednesday

Y1S: Tuesday & Thursday

Y1M: Monday & Thursday

Children should come dressed in their PE kit on their PE days (white t-shirt, dark shorts, leggings/joggers and a sweater together with trainers/plimsolls). During lessons they will need to **remove all jewellery**. If your child is unable to do PE, they *must* present a note explaining why they are exempt.

RE



Our RE focus will be on the Christian festival of Christmas. We will discuss the person of Jesus and why he is so important to Christians. We will also be looking at Advent and why this time of year is special to some religions.

Home Learning

Your child has received their new homework grid for this half term. Please complete as many activities you feel is suitable. It has been lovely to share their home learning with the class and celebrate their achievements! Thank you for your continued support!

Reading Books

Reading books will need to be returned on Mondays and Thursdays so they can be quarantined for safe use across Year 1. Your child will receive a new book on these days.

