

Year One Newsletter – Summer Term



I hope you all had a lovely Easter break. I am so excited to spend the rest of the term with the lovely Year 1's. Please feel free to come and see me in the morning if you want a chat!

Last Term

The children worked so hard on their last enquiry – How has play changed? Here are some photos of their amazing work:



We cannot wait to launch our new Enquiry 'Should we always follow the same pattern?'

Diary Dates for this half term

Monday 4th May – Bank holiday

25th May – 29th May – Half Term

Tuesday 5th May – Phonics Screening Meeting for Parents

Week beginning June 8th – Phonics Screening Check week

(Letter about the meeting and Phonics screening check to follow)

Friday 19th June – Father's Day

Thursday 25th June – Sports Day

Thursday 23rd July – KS1 disco

Friday 24th July – Last day of school

Enquiry

This term's enquiry is an Art theme. Throughout our enquiry sessions this term we are going to be answering the question, "**Should we always follow the same pattern?**" Each week we will be building up our knowledge to answer our main question.

This term we will be looking at:

Week 1 – This week we will be reactivating our knowledge of the primary colours and then exploring mixing secondary colours. We will learn about patterns.

Week 2 – In Art, we will explore using different tools to make art, before we experiment with how lines can be used in artwork considering the thickness, direction and style of writing.

Week 3 – We will move onto learning about print and rubbings. We will consider how rubbings use texture to create artwork.

Week 4 – This week, we will be creating repeating patterns using different print techniques.

Week 5 – We will start to consider the artwork of Esther Mahlangu and the Ndebele tribe.

Week 6 – We will be comparing our own artwork to that of an artist.

Week 7 – This week we will create a collaborative piece of artwork and consider what makes us special.

Week 8 – We will design our own final piece of art and consider what makes people unique.

Week 9 – It will finally be time to use all the skills we have learnt to create our own piece of art.

Week 10 – We will be finding out about fruits and vegetables and following a recipe to make a fruit salad.

What a busy term we are going to have – but doesn't it sound exciting!



PE



Year One will be having PE on **Tuesday and Thursday**. Children should come to school in their PE kit and can stay in it all day. Please make sure your child does not wear earrings on these days.

This term we are taking part in throwing and catching and dance.

Reading



It is essential that pupils are encouraged to read at home to develop their fluency, vocabulary and it will open many more doors to their learning. Please remember to write in their reading diaries each time you read together, as each time they read three or more times a week, they get entered into our weekly prize draw!

Homework



On Dojo, you have access to our home learning menus. This is a great and fun way of further supporting your child's learning at home. Don't forget to upload your work to Dojo to gain Dojo points. These can be done at any point up until the end of the term.



Have a lovely term!

Mrs Downie

