

Class 1 Weekly Update- Friday 7th September 2018

Welcome to Class 1. The children have been fabulous this week. Obviously there are lots of new routines to learn and they are just taking them in their stride. This week we have started our new topic Once Upon a Time. A huge thank you for your support with the book bags over the summer. They are really creative and the children are very proud of them.

The majority of lessons will be based around stories. We started our week sharing the book bags. The children discussed why they had chosen the book and showed their group what was in the bag. We also tried to read as many of the books as possible. Every child then wrote a sentence about what they liked best about their story.

We then went on to the story of Space Tortoise. It is about a tortoise who thinks the stars are other animals with candles in space. The tortoise then tries to go to space. After reading the story the children made a rocket out of construction sticks which had to be big enough to fit one person in. They also made rockets out of Lego which had to have a pointed top (we looked at 3D shapes to see which were the best shapes to make the nose cone of the rocket). Everyone was able to write a sentence about their favourite part of the story and then we did some tortoise maths in which we were counting forward to 20 then back to zero (Blast off!). It has been a very busy four days!

As it is the start of term I am sure you will have lots of questions. There will be a curriculum evening soon when I will be able to tell you about the year ahead and answer specific learning questions. But if you have any questions you need answers to before that then please either drop in on a morning or email me and I will try to help.

One thing you can do to support your child at this stage of their learning is to listen to them read and to talk about their books with them. Reading is key to so many areas of learning and it opens up new and exciting worlds to them.

If your child gets a new picture book at home and wants to bring it in to share with their class then I will do my best to read it at the end of the day.

P.E will be on a Wednesday, weather permitting. It would be helpful if all children had P.E kits in school all week because if it is forecast to rain on a Wednesday I will do my best to fit P.E in on another day. Most P.E will be outside so the children will need a t-shirt, shorts/joggers, a sweatshirt or hoodie and trainers.

Many thanks

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