

Year 1 Curriculum Letter - Spring Term 1 2017

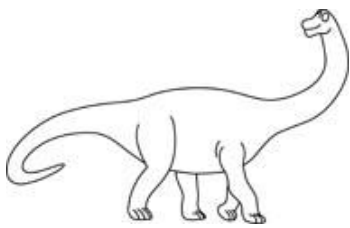
Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! Thank you for your support during our topics last term. Our learning this term is...

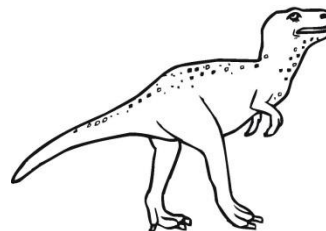
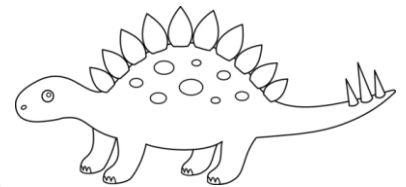
English - We will be continuing to learn through Read, Write Inc, and class-based writing lessons. Our writing focus will be sentence skills - consistently using finger spaces, capital letters and full stops correctly, and also handwriting, including correct letter formation.

Maths - We will be problem solving, using the four rules (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). Please continue to help your child with their 'Learn Its' from last term and any new 'Learn Its' will be sent home shortly. We will also be learning about subtraction, counting in 10s and 5s and working with money.

Topic - Our Topic this half term is



Dinosaur Planet



What do we know about dinosaurs?

Do you know any stories about dinosaurs?

Can you find out any interesting facts about dinosaurs at home or at the library?

We will...

- Draw a map of a dinosaur hunt
- Listen to stories about dinosaurs
- Find out information about dinosaurs in non-fiction books
- Learn about fossils
- Create dinosaur models and pictures using different materials
- Be a dinosaur dentist and find out which dinosaurs were carnivores and herbivores
- Sing songs about dinosaurs

P.E. - Our P.E. days in Year 1 are Monday and Friday. Please make sure that your child's P.E. kit is in school and earrings are removed. If your child goes to sport after school clubs, please make sure that their kit is returned to school after each session. Please make sure that P.E. kits, **as all uniform, are clearly named**. Although we will always help when children can't manage, please help your child to learn to get dressed and undressed *by themselves* so that they can gain greater independence. It is usual for P.E. kits to go home for washing when we break up for holidays and stay in school otherwise.

Drink money - If you would like your child to have a drink of squash at lunch time, please make sure that you send £1 to school **IN A NAMED ENVELOPE ON MONDAY MORNINGS**. If you don't have an envelope to use, sellotape the £1 coin to some paper with your child's name and class written on it.

Homework - Please continue to support your child at home by helping them with Maths homework, letter sounds, spellings and reading. When you share books with your child, please fill in their home-school reading diary so that they can quickly be rewarded with certificates. We will be sending home a new homework activity grid to complete this half term. The children should complete the 2 circled activities and at least 2 more of their choice. Please send these into school on Monday **13th February**. Thank you, again, for your support. Our home-school partnership has a significant impact on the children's learning.

A reminder - If there is someone other than mum or dad who is collecting your child, please can you notify school so that they can be quickly released at home time. Your child's safety is our prime concern and prior notification avoids any delay at the classroom door.

Please feel free to approach us at the door if you need to ask anything. The end of the day is a better time than in the morning!

Thank you for your support and co-operation.
Mrs Doidge, Miss Jassal, Mrs Davis and Mrs Westaway