

## Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 14th September 2018

Dear Parent / Carer,

During Literacy lessons this week, we have been focusing on writing using a 'high five' sentence (1. Capital letters, 2. Finger spaces, 3. Full-stops, 4. Makes sense, 5. Neat school handwriting). These important 5 aspects are the Year 1 Autumn writing targets. There is a copy of this on your child's Home Learning folder (see end of letter).

Next week, we will begin a new narrative unit of work based on the story 'Monstersaurus' by Claire Freedman. As well as re-telling and sequencing events, the children will use evidence from the story to describe the appearance and personality of the main characters.

In Numeracy this week, we have been finding one more than a number and sorting items into different groups. Next week, we will be using a number line to locate one less than a given number. We will also be using the more than (>)/less than signs (<) to compare numbers and groups of objects.

This week, our CCL work has been Geography based. We used maps to locate and discuss places that we visited during the summer holidays. The children have been encouraged to talk about buildings and landmarks that they saw and activities that they did. Next week, we will be learning about the different countries and flags of the UK. In our role play area we have a 'Travel Agents'; if you have any resources you would like to donate eg holiday brochures, maps, tourist information leaflets etc, please send them in.

**This week, 1V thoroughly enjoyed their first swimming lesson! On Tuesday 18th September, 1H will swim and both classes will then swim from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September onwards.**

Today we have sent each child home with their 'Home Learning' folders. This is the system we use in Year 1 for homework. We recommend that you take the time to help your child complete as much of it as they can, as it helps to consolidate what has been taught in class. The Word Box part of the Home Learning sheet is similar to the Reception word lists in that your child needs to be able to read each word. If they find this very easy, please encourage them to practise spelling the words too. New Home Learning will be sent out on a Friday and will be checked by a school adult on Tuesday.

**Our first Open Door will be on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 2:40 – 3:00pm after which you will be able to collect your child from the KS1 playground as normal.**

Many Thanks  
Year One team