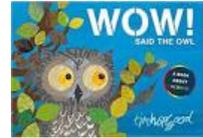


Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 19th November 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

This week in English, we have written our own version of Wow! said the owl. As a class, we showed our owl puppet around school and wrote about the things she saw. Next week, we will be exploring farm settings in books and through small world toys so that we can then write a story about the owl visiting a farm.



In Phonics, we have completed a review week of all the sounds we have learnt so far. Our tricky words for the week have been: all, are, I, of, one, here and today. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.

In Maths, we have looked at different ways to partition numbers e.g. $9=4+5$, $9=6+3$ or $3+6=9$, $5+4=9$. We have also been learning the pairs to 10 and looking at different ways we can represent this using numicon, ten frames and the part whole model. Please encourage your child to practise these so that they can instantly say which two numbers make 10 when added together e.g. $1+9=10$, $2+8=10$, $3+7=10$. On Monday, we will begin a unit on subtraction.



In our CCL work, we have started to create artwork based on Vincent Van Gogh. We have explored the 'dabbing' and 'swirling' brush strokes and have painted a silhouette of a building onto the sunrise or night sky. Next week, we will begin the Geography learning of our topic. Using maps, globes, and a digital world map we are going to explore how day and night time can differ between countries.

As a school, we are taking part in the Calderdale Rotary Shoebox Appeal. Their aim is to provide Christmas presents to vulnerable individuals by filling a shoebox with toys, warm gloves and hats, toiletries and stocking fillers. 1V is collecting items for a girl and 1H is collecting items for a boy. If you wish to donate, please send the items into school by Wednesday 24th November.

We would also be very grateful for any items to put in our Christmas Hamper raffle.

On Wednesday 1st December, we are planning to hold a Year One Phonics meeting for parents at 5:45pm. This will be an opportunity to come and learn about the new scheme we are following and about the reading books your child is bringing home. If you are able to attend, please complete the attached form and return to school. Due to the current circumstances, we can only extend this invitation to one adult per child. We politely ask that you attend wearing a face covering.

Important dates:

Wednesday 1st December – Year 1 Phonics Meeting at 5:45pm

Monday 13th December – Y1 Christmas Party

Friday 17th December – Christmas Jumper/Wear something sparkly day (donations for Save the Children)

Many Thanks
Miss Vine and Miss Hepworth

Year One Phonics Meeting – Wednesday 1st December 5:45pm – 6:15pm

Child's name _____ Class: _____

I **will** be able to attend the Phonics meeting

I **will not** be able to attend the Phonics meeting

Signed _____