

Dear Parent / Carer,

In English, we have been reading the traditional tale – ‘The Magic Porridge Pot’. The children have all written some fantastic versions of the story where they decided which food they would like the magic pot to cook.

This week in Phonics, our sounds have been ‘ph’ as in phone, ‘wh’ as in wheel, ‘ie’ as in shield and ‘g’ as in giant. Our tricky words for the week have been: friend, once, our, laugh and because. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.

In Maths, we have been measuring length using non-standard units of measure, rulers and metre sticks. We have also focused on using the language shorter than, taller than and longer than, when describing and comparing items in the classroom. After the holidays, we will begin to explore weight and mass.

In PE, we are continuing with our orienteering unit. The children have been working in teams to recognise basic diagrams and navigate to a single point. The children used their map reading skills to navigate to the correct group of cones, where they could then retrieve a grapheme. Once all the graphemes were retrieved the children then had a go at spelling a word. Next week, we will practise the same set of skills, whilst avoiding obstacles.

During the week commencing Monday 12th June, all pupils in Year 1 will be taking part in the Phonics Screening Check. It is a short, statutory assessment to ensure that children are making sufficient progress in the phonics skills to read words and are on track to become fluent readers who can enjoy reading for pleasure and for learning. By the end of the summer term each child’s results will be reported to their parents/carers. The results will confirm if the child has met the standard threshold. Children who do not achieve the expected level will retake the test when they are in Year 2.

We would like to thank everyone who attended our open door this week. It was lovely to see you all.

We would also like to congratulate the children for all their hard work this half term and we look forward to seeing you all when school re-opens on Monday 5th June.

Dates for your diary:

Phonics Screening Check: 12th – 16th June.

Y1 Temple Newsam Trip- Wednesday 28th June.

Many Thanks

Miss Hepworth and Miss Nicholson