

Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 12th January 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday.



This week in Phonics, our sounds have been 'le' as in apple, 'al' as in metal, 'c' as in face and 've' as in have. Our tricky words for the week have been: school, call and different. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.

In Maths, we have been learning to count in tens. Next week, we will be counting in groups of five.

In Music, we have been listening to, appraising and learning the song 'Rhythm in the Way We Walk' by Joanna Mangona. This is a reggae song. The children have been learning about the texture, rhythm and dynamics of the music. These are the definitions of the musical terms that we will learn this year:

Dynamics	How loud or quiet the music is.
Pitch	Whether sounds are high or low.
Pulse	The heartbeat of the music.
Tempo	Whether music is fast or slow.
Texture	Whether a piece of music has one instrument or more than one instrument playing.
Timbre	How you would describe the feel of a piece of music (e.g. harsh or gentle, soothing or dramatic).

In Art, we have started a new unit: Painting and Mixed Media. We identified the primary colours and enjoyed exploring how secondary colours can be mixed.

Many Thanks,

Miss Hepworth and Miss Nicholson