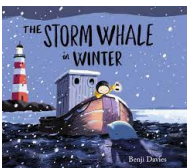



Dear Parents/Carers,

We are so pleased to see the children following their May half term break and back enthusiastic to learn! If you have any questions, as always, please come and speak to us.

Summer 2 in Year 1				
Our topic is: Coast to Coast				
English	Maths	Art	Geography	PE
<p>Our main texts this term will be <i>The Storm Whale</i> in Winter, which we will use to write a narrative plot about a rescue at sea. We will also use biographies of Grace Darling to create our own biographies about her life.</p>  	<p>In maths we will continue our learning of addition and subtraction with a focus on additive structures. We will then move onto learning addition and subtraction facts within 10. We will then move onto learning about coins and how to recognise and use money.</p>	<p>In art we will be learning about collages and the artist Henri Matisse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to use a range of materials creatively to design and make products. - to develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space. - learn about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work. 	<p>In geography we are naming, locating and identifying characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.</p>	<p>During 2 lessons a week, the children will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and coordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities. They will participate in team games, develop simple tactics for attacking and defending and perform dances using simple movement patterns</p>
History	RE	Music	Computing	RHE
<p>In history we will be learning about the life of Grace Darling. She is a significant individual who has contributed to national and international achievements.</p>	<p>With a focus on persuasion, in Christianity we will be discussing the question: Why did people do what Jesus asked them?</p>	<p>We are excited to be using 'Sing up' to help us learn. Within the topic of 'Come dance with me', children will focus on call and response, tuned percussion, rhythm and syllables, and pitch.</p>	<p>We are lucky to be learning with Computer Explorers and will be designing and programming the movement of a character on screen to tell stories.</p>	<p>We are learning about healthy relationships, feelings and emotions and valuing differences. This will involve sharing views and opinions and respecting similarities and differences.</p>

How can I help my child at home?

Websites

There are lots of fun games to help with our learning on the internet, that can be accessed on a tablet or home computer.

Useful websites:

BugClub

TT Rock Stars

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

www.topmarks.co.uk

Homework, home-reading and PE.

A homework grid will be sent out at the beginning of half term. Each week your child can choose an activity from this grid and complete it.

Homework books are to be handed in every **Monday**.

Library books need to be in your child's bag ready to be changed on Library day which for Year 1 is a **Tuesday (Hedgehogs) and Wednesday (Squirrels)**.

Year 1 have PE on a **Tuesday and Wednesday**. Your child needs to bring their PE kit into school on these days.

Home Help!

Reading and Book Talk:

Reading is an important part of learning and developing children's vocabulary and language skills, therefore we encourage you to read with your child at home. It provides a great opportunity for you and your child to talk, and share ideas and thoughts about what they have read.

We want children to be happy and enthusiastic readers, and hope that children are able to read a variety of genres to broaden their reading experiences. Please don't forget, whenever you read at home your child should fill in a section of their Reading Booklet. As well as home-school reading books, anything that children read can count towards entries on the card. We would love to see the amount of booklets we receive increase this term.

Home Reading Books

During Autumn 1, we will be continuing to set homeschool reading books online at www.activelearnprimary.co.uk. Student logins will be provided in the front of Homework Books.