

# 7.2.25



## Our Week in Year 1



It has been a busy week!

English - we continued with our journey of becoming an author and edited our fairy tales. We also learnt about rhythm in poems and performed 'Hand on the Bridge' by Michael Rosen.

Maths - We have been adding by counting on (up to 20) and we started to learn our number bonds to 20! You can practise number bonds at home 😊

In DT we began our new project - making a windmill! We designed and labelled our windmill. Next week we will make it.

In RE we learnt the story of Zacchaeus and then wrote a letter reflecting on what Zacchaeus learnt from meeting Jesus.

In Science we compared different features of animals.

In Computing we used a word document to explore typing using the toolbar and keyboard.

### Notes for parents

**Homework** - Mathletics x 2, RWI books x 2 and Spellings on EdShed: no, go, so, of, on, Monday, train, play, back, pink.

**Sentence Writing Practice** - For some children, extra practice at writing a simple sentence would benefit them. A picture will be sent home in their handwriting book. Please keep the handwriting book in their bags so that we can see how your child is getting on with this.

**Handwriting (letter formation) Practice** - We have noticed that some children are still writing their lower-case letters incorrectly. It may be one or two letters or quite a few. Additional handwriting practice will be sent home as needed. This will be in their handwriting books and/or on handwriting sheets. For some children, they may also need extra practice in class. Please do check that your child is forming the letters correctly as they practise at home. Correct letter formation supports writing ability and stamina and helps as they progress onto cursive writing in Year 2.

**Glue Sticks** - we are running very low again. If you are willing and able to donate any glue sticks, we would be very grateful.



**DT Materials** - please can we have any paper cups for our DT project please!

We are making our windmills next week 😊

**Book Bags** - Please can you check your child's book bag regularly and clear it out at the end of each week. We have noticed some of their book bags are rather full!

### **Diary Dates**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February** - **Helen Arkell visit to launch our sponsored read!** Details and sponsorship forms will be sent home next week. Thank you for supporting our chosen charity.

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February** - Year 5 support Bee-lieve, a charity focused on supporting the mental health and well-being of children. To celebrate and raise awareness for children's mental health awareness week, the Y5 children will be decorating pebbles with messages of kindness. These pebbles will be on sale on the KS2 playground at school pick up on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February. They can be purchased on a donation basis by scanning the Bee-lieve QR code which we will have available on the day. For any additional donations please feel free to scan the QR code below:



**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** - **MUFTI Day** - The One World Committee have invited the children of St Polycarp's to dress in red and pink Mufti on 14 February 2025 to show love and solidarity to the Ithemi Community.

If you are able to, we kindly request a small voluntary donation towards this cause. All proceeds will be most gratefully received and will go directly towards sustaining and enhancing the education of our sponsored child and other schools in need in Ithemi, Tanzania. Please make your donation via Scopay under trips & events.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** - **break up for half term at 3:15pm**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March** - Year 1 trip to Milestones Museum. Please ensure you have completed the permission slip on ScoPay.

Have a wonderful and restful weekend.

The Year 1 Team



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