

**14.11.25**



## **Our Week in Year 1**



What a busy week in Year 1!

On Tuesday we gathered as a school for our Remembrance service and observed a 2 minute silence at 11am.

On Wednesday, the children enjoyed the walk to the woods, including the Autumn scavenger hunt and the nature art. Thank you again to all the adults for coming along to support the trip.

On Thursday, we had our first Buddy mass with the Year 5 children.

Below are details of some of the additional learning this week. Your child might like to tell you a little more about a few of these:

PSHE - We wore Odd-Socks on Monday for Anti-bullying week. We talked about being unique. We also learnt about what is bullying and what is not bullying, and who we can talk to if we are upset.

English - We began our new topic 'The Wild Woods', reading the story of the same name. Following our trip, we practiced our sentence writing thinking of things we had experienced in the woods.

Continued handwriting - correct letter formation and position on the line - see guidance below to help you support your child at home.

RE - We continued our topic 'Prophecy and Promise' and looked at different paintings of the Visitation; when Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth.

Maths - We began learning about subtraction, using the part part whole model to find a missing part of our subtraction sentence. We then moved on to subtracting numbers by 'crossing out'.

Geography - We continued our topic and created our own map of the classroom for Alien Zorb who needed our help! We used small objects to represent the different features in the classroom e.g. cubes for tables/a counter for the sink.

### **Homework**

**Regular reading** of the Read Write Inc. books (RWI) and / or library book. Please also feel free to read other books you may have at home.

**Handwriting Books** - Please practise the letters h n m (lower and upper case) in your handwriting book. **Please keep the handwriting books in your child's book bag as we need them in our lessons.**

**Maths** - 2 tasks have been set on Maths.co.uk for you to complete. The tasks will go live on Friday morning. Please also practise addition and subtraction within and to 10 at home with every day activities.

### Notes for parents

**PE day change** - Next week Swans will have PE on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Skylarks will have PE on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Library books** - Library days are **Monday and Thursday** (SWANS was previously Monday and Friday). Please keep the library book in your child's book bag so that it is available on these days. If the library book is not returned, then your child will not be able to take a new book home.

**Maths** - Should you wish to support your child with additional Maths practice at home, please find below a parent link to the Maths teaching scheme 'White Rose' we use in school.

Maths with Michael'

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/maths-with-michael>

**Has your child done any charity work recently?** As part of our learning, we teach children how they can follow in the footsteps of Jesus in the way they interact and help others. If your child has taken part in any charity work, please let us know so we can share and celebrate this in school.

**The Giving Tree** - This Christmas season, we will be taking part in **The Giving Tree** to support children living in refuge (<https://kidsout.org.uk/the-giving-tree/>). These children can receive very little - or in some cases nothing at all at Christmas. Families (and staff!) will have the opportunity to take a tag from the tree, purchase the gift listed for a child, and return it to school. We will then take the gifts to the local collection point where they'll be distributed to children living in refuge.

Each tag includes the name of a child and the gift they or their parents have said they'd love to receive.

### How it works:

- Tags will be available to take **from Monday 24th November** from the tree by the office (exact location TBC).
- Families can take a tag, buy the gift, and return it **unwrapped** to school, these can be left under the tree.
- Deadline for returning gifts: **Wednesday 10th December**. This then gives us time to take them to the collection point to be wrapped and distributed to the children in time for Christmas.

### Diary Dates

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November** - Parents' evening (online).

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November** - INSET day - school is closed.

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December** - school is closed

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December** - **Christmas Art Day (MUFTI)** Please come to school dressed in your Christmas Mufti for a day of festive art and craft fun. Please remember we will be using paint, glue and glitter so dress accordingly.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December till Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December** - Scholastic Book Fair - details to follow.

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December** - PTA Christmas Fayre.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Charity Run - look out for details in the main school newsletter.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Year 1 Christingle Service. We invite all parents/carers to come into school on this day in the afternoon (**2:15pm - 3:15pm**) to help your child make a Christingle and then we all go into the Main Hall for a celebration. More details to follow.

**Many thanks for all your support. We wish you a very happy and restful weekend.**

**The Year 1 Team** 😊

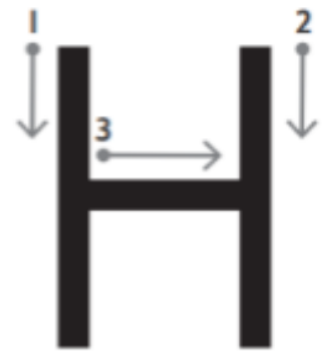
## Handwriting Guidance

### Handwriting Position:

- put two feet on the floor
- push their bottom to the back of their chair
- tuck their chair under the table
- hold their pencil in a tripod grip
- place their other hand on their book or paper, so it doesn't move around.

Down the head to the hooves and over his back

*h h h*



Down Nobby, over his net

*n n n*



Maisie, mountain, mountain

*m m m*



