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Our Week in Year 1



This week we have ...

In English we learnt about personal pronouns such as he, she, they. We used these pronouns to write a sentence.

In Spelling, we learnt the next 5 spelling words, using Rainbow writing to practice. Children also completed their spelling quiz. This will be sent home so that you can support your child with any words they may have found difficult.

We continued to practice our handwriting, learning how to write the letters **b p h** correctly. Please see below for additional practice at home.

In Maths, we looked at place value up to 20, including comparing and ordering numbers. We also started adding by counting on (up to 20). Please practise number bonds to 10 and 20, it really does help.

We continued with the RE focus 'From Galilee to Jerusalem', reading the Gospel story about the Call of the Disciples, and we thought about how we can follow in Jesus' footsteps.

In Art, we used our sculpture skills to begin to make a sculpture of a sea creature. Thank you for all of your recycling donations!

In Geography we looked at different weather patterns in other parts of the UK, including the capital cities.

In Science, we learnt about different ways to describe animals using the names of animal body parts e.g. paws.

Notes for parents

Homework

Maths - Maths.co.uk - 'Addition within 20' quiz - please complete and check if there are any outstanding quizzes to complete. Thank you!

Reading - 2X RWI books and any other books you may have at home.

Spelling words - **be me he she we**

Spelling Homework - Use the Edshed/Spelling Shed website. Your child's login will be in their reading record. Let us know if you have any problems logging in.

The spellings can be practised on the website and/or on paper. Each week the children will learn the spelling words and a strategy for additional practice e.g. rainbow writing.

Handwriting - Please practise these letters in your child's handwriting book. To help you with this, please watch and follow the videos below. The children will be familiar with these videos as we have used them in our handwriting lessons

Letter b - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Ysd61WKj/WjCfC2us>

Letter p - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/hhfNvxDJ/Tg78tHGN>

Letter h - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Xpfn3KR6/aaMZtiUC>

Other Notes

Prayer Bag - Please see letter below explaining all about our new Year 1 Prayer Bags for the children to take home and enjoy! They will be sent home to one child every **Friday**. Please return the bag by **Thursday (latest)** so we can check the inventory and send out to a new child every Friday. Thank you!



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.

PE Kit - Please ensure your child has a **full** PE kit to change into on their PE day. This includes socks and trainers. Please also pack jogging bottoms as the children are sometimes in their PE kit when they are outside for play time.

PE Changing - We have noticed that some children need quite a lot of time to get changed. Please could you practise changing quickly in/out of clothes as we only have a limited amount of time for PE changing in school.

Diary Dates

Friday 6th March - Year 1 School Trip to Milestones Museum in Basingstoke to explore their new topics of Toys and Games. Further details have been sent separately. Please remember to complete the permission form online.

Friday 13th February - One World Celebration - children can wear pink or red colours to school. More details will be added to the school newsletter soon.

Friday 13th February - Break up for the half term. Return Monday 23rd February.

Tuesday 24th February - St. Polycarp's Science fair - details to follow.

Have a great weekend 😊

The Year 1 Team



Dear Parents and Carers,

Here in the St Polycarp's family we follow in the footsteps of Jesus through playing, praying, loving and learning together.

To support us in continuing to live out our mission, your child will bring home our class *prayer bag*. It includes simple, age-appropriate resources to help you pray together as a family. The prayer bag will be brought home by a different child in the class each week.

You'll also find a prayer diary where you and your child can write/draw any thoughts, prayers or intentions if you wish. The prayer bag will be sent home on a Friday.

The prayer bag is a wonderful way of linking the prayer life of our school and home by encouraging the children to practise and lead their own prayer sessions with their families and share their spiritual experience. We hope this shared experience brings moments of peace, connection and joy to your home.

Thank you.