

Year 1 Newsletter

Topaz Teacher: Mr Sonnex

Garnet Teacher: Mr Baker and Mrs Haybourne

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Musha and Miss Whitmore

Curriculum information

Our topic in Term 5 is

'Ready, steady, grow!'



In **English**, the children will practise their phonic skills in a daily phonics session. There will be a big focus on handwriting. They will develop their sentence writing and their awareness of finger spaces, full stops and capital letters.

In **Maths**, we will be learning about multiplication and division. We will be recapping our 2 and 5 times tables as well as learning to count in our 10's. To help us with our multiplication and division, we will making and adding equal groups, arrays and doubles.

Our **Topic**, which will link our learning together, is about plants, animals and humans. We will be looking at different plants, including trees, as well as naming a variety of common animals and being able to place them in different groups including carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

The children will learn about how they grow and change and why babies need support and care as well as understanding that older children can do more by themselves.

We will be thinking about how the school's rules 'Be Ready, Be Kind, Be Safe' apply to us.

Reading

The children will continue to engage in Reading sessions—both whole class and individually. We will be checking the reading folders every day, and changing books when children have read at home with their parents. Those that don't get a chance to read with their parents will be supported to read with adults in the classroom. However, it is important to remind you that regular reading sessions with their grown ups will have a fantastic impact on the progress that your children make. Please read with them as much as you can. Every child in the class will be read with at least once a week by an adult in the class.



PE is on a Tuesday.

Please could you ensure your child comes to school in their P.E kit (white T-shirt and red shorts). We will be doing PE outside if the weather permits. Please could you also remove earrings on these days for health and safety reasons.



How can you help at home?

Listen to your child read as much as possible and share other books with them. After reading a book, ask your child questions about the story to build their comprehension.

Water Bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a named drink bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.



Online Safety

This term we have set some online safety rules to use in class and at home. This is especially important as we have been completing a lot of online learning.

The children know that if they see anything online that makes them feel worried, then they should tell a trusted adult and ask them to help.



Children should come to school everyday wearing the correct uniform, including shoes. Please discuss with us if your child is not wearing the correct uniform or shoes.

Long hair **MUST** be tied up securely every day and be able to stay up all day. Bands will be given if they have not secured their hair. No nail varnish is to be worn.