

# Year 1 Newsletter

Holybrook Primary School

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# What we will be learning about this term in Maths and English.

In <u>English</u>, we will be continuing our work around the story 'Tidy'. We are using what we have read to help us write our own version of the story. We will then be starting a poetry unit, we will be rehearsing and performing poems, talking about new vocabulary and the



meaning of new words. We will then be writing our own poems in the same style as the poem we have read.

In <u>Maths</u>, we are continuing our place value work focusing on numbers 11—20. We will then be revisiting addition and subtraction; subtracting by crossing the tens barrier and adding by making ten.

In <u>SPaG</u> this term we will be covering capital letters for and full stops for simple sentences, we will also be introducing exclamation and question marks.

### Reading

Please make sure your child is reading every evening at home. School reading books will be sent home for you to share with your child. 15 minutes of reading each evening is essential and very beneficial to your child's learning. Please try to ask your children questions about what they have just read. A few key questions could be: What is happening in the story? How is the main character feeling? What may



happen next? Also, please help your child to read and understand any words they haven't heard before by helping your child to think about what the word might mean and then encouraging them to look up the mean-

ing in a dictionary. **Children need to bring their reading books and records in every day.** Our library session is on a Monday and we will also be reading during guided reading sessions in class.

Year 1 have introduced the 'Star Reader' award - Every child who reads five or more times a week and gets their diary signed by an adult will receive a certificate, a prize and their photo on our wall of fame reading display!

Reading books are changed once the children can read them fluently and understand them. We feel this encourages children to fully engage with the book and improves their reading confidence.

## PΕ

In PE this term we are focussing on Throwing and Catching skills.

Children are required to bring in a PE kit for PE **every Monday.** The correct uniform is white t-shirt, black shorts, white socks, black or grey tracksuit and black pumps or trainers.









# **Holybrook Curriculum**

This term our theme is 'Living on an island' we will be learning about the countries and capitals of the UK, the oceans, famous explorers and the importance of lighthouses. We will



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also be using our musical skills to create music to represent the

To help your child at home, you could take a look at Google Earth and discuss the countries within the UK and other surrounding countries. You could also start to look at lighthouses around the world and talk about why they are so important.

In <u>Science</u>, we will be learning about 'Materials' We will, identify, sort and describe the different materials and begin to look at their uses.

In **<u>RE</u>**, we will explore 'Belonging' and how different religions introduce and welcome new babies into their families.

In <u>Computing</u>, we are learning about online safety, looking at how we can stay safe online, the information that we should keep private and how we communicate with people online. We are also going to begin work on algorithms.

In <u>PHSE</u>, we will be learning about 'Me and Others' we will be thinking about what makes us and other special, roles and responsibilities at home and at school and how to work well with others.

#### **Homework**

Your child will be given spellings and homework once a week on a Friday. Please return completed homework by the following Thursday.

# **Marvellous Me**



Thank you to every parent/carer for signing up to Marvellous Me. Year 1 are doing so well and receiving lots of High 5's for their fantastic work.

Miss Rigley