



THE BISHOPSWOOD SCHOOLS FEDERATION

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Year 1 Newsletter – Summer 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a fun half term and are ready for a busy (and hopefully sunny!) last half term of Year 1.

Learning Challenge

This term our Learning Challenge is based around Geography and Science and the big question is '**Would a Meerkat and a Penguin be neighbours?**' You will be able to see the range of work we are covering on our attached topic plan. We are excited to be starting the topic with a special delivery from the Kalahari Desert! We also have our exciting trip to Marwell Zoo to extend our knowledge of animals and their habitats. You should have received a letter about this last half term. Please see the office if you are without one.

Homework Grid

Please find attached the homework grid for this half term. Any homework the children complete this term is optional and they will be given an opportunity to share it with the class during that week. We will also display the homework in class. These are only suggested ideas; if you or your child has a different idea then please feel free to have a go! Most importantly, have fun!

Phonics screening

Next week, all children in Year 1 will be taking part in the Phonics Screening Check. You will receive a copy of your child's result in their end-of-year report. The children have been working incredibly hard on their phonics learning throughout the year, and we are extremely proud of all they have achieved.

PE

PE will take place weekly on a **Tuesday** afternoon this term. Children will need to come to school in their PE kit and will stay in them all day. Please make sure their footwear is appropriate for indoor and outdoor PE, and if it is a chilly day they will need a school jumper

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to wear as well. As always, we ask that long hair is tied back on these days and any earrings are either taken out or covered over with medical tape.

Sun Cream

During this term, on warmer days please apply sun cream to your child **before** they come to school to help keep them safe in the sun. If you would like your child to have suncream in school they will reapply this at lunch time independently. Sun hats are also advised when the weather is warm.

Reminders

- Please ensure your children's jumpers, cardigans and hats are clearly named so they do not get lost.
- **Water bottles** need to be in school and taken home each day to be cleaned and re-filled.
- **Spellings** will continue to be taught in our Phonics sessions and will be tested **fortnightly on Friday**.

We hope that you and your children enjoy the last half term of this school year with us. If you have any questions or concerns please come and speak to your class teacher at the beginning of the school day.

If you wish to have a longer chat with us, we can arrange a convenient time to talk in more detail.

Many thanks,

Year 1 Team

Important Dates...

Marwell Zoo	Friday 3 rd July
Sports day (am)	Wednesday 17 th June
Move up morning	Friday 26 th June

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