



BISHOPSWOOD INFANT SCHOOL

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Year 1 Newsletter – Autumn 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely half term and you are rested and relaxed ready for the busy, exciting and not-to-mention glittery run up to Christmas! We have already started our term in a fantastic way with our 'Autumn Day'. We had a great day and the children loved toasting marshmallows round the campfire after learning and exploring outside all day.

Learning Challenge

This term our Learning Challenge is based around the Seasons and being outside “**How do the season change?**” You will be able to see the range of work we are covering on our attached topic plan. If you have any questions or suggestions please see one of us at the door.

Spelling

Please look out for a separate letter about spellings in your child's book bag next week.

Reading

Even though this time of year can get particularly busy, please keep practising your child's phonics book and hearing your child read at home. This really makes a massive difference in how well they progress and their ability to recognise words on sight; key in becoming a fluent reader. Please indicate in their monkey books when they have been heard read.

Homework Grid

Please find attached the homework grid for this half term. Any homework the children complete this term is optional and can be brought in on **Mondays**, as they will be given an opportunity to share it with the class during that week. We will also display the homework in class. The homework for this half term can be done with a parent or other adult supporting them. Also with the homework grid we have attached a weather watching chart together with a game of Snakes and Ladders which have all the words a Year 1 child should be able to read and spell at the end of the year.

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 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.

Reminders

- This year we will be having one session of outdoor learning a week. Each child will need a pair of wellies in school in order for them to be fully involved.
- Please ensure your children's jumpers and cardigans 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.

We hope that you and your children enjoy the term ahead of 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.