



BISHOPSWOOD INFANT SCHOOL

Bishopswood Infant & Junior Schools
Barlows Road
Tadley
Hampshire
RG26 3NA

Infant 0118 9812836

Executive Headteacher: Mr G Golding

Friday 4th March 2022

Year 1 Newsletter – Spring 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

Learning Challenge

This term our Learning Challenges are based on studies of the local area in ‘Terrific Tadley and Brilliant Basingstoke’ and our science which is all about growing and plants. You will be able to see the range of work we are covering on our attached topic plan. If you have any questions about the topic please see one of us at the gate.

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** and they will be given an opportunity to share it with the class during that week. Homework will be displayed on our Home Learning board and children given a sticker to celebrate their work. The homework grid will also be uploaded onto Seesaw so activities can also be shared on there if preferred.

Staffing change

This half term we have a few staffing changes in Year 1. We are happy to be welcoming Mrs Fenner to the Year 1 team and welcoming back Miss Shore.

Book Week

This week in Year 1, we have celebrated Book Week! As part of this event, we have taken part in the Year 1 Hampshire Picture Book Awards. The books have included ‘The ABC Factor’, ‘Fabulous Fifi’, ‘The Best Worst Day Ever’ and ‘The Wide Wide Sea’. We have enjoyed reading all of them and look forward to finding out what the winning book was! During Book Week, we also celebrated World Book Day where we enjoyed dressing up and completing lots of different activities including decorating our classroom doors!

Reading and Spelling

To support children with their reading at home each child has a Bug Club subscription to use. Recently we have noticed that not many children across our year group are accessing this resource at home. Before half term, we attached the children’s login in the front of their Reading Record Books so you should all be able to access Bug Club. However, if you have any problems

Caring



Respecting



Thriving Together



Bishopswood Federation work together to develop kind and considerate children who are resilient, reflective and motivated learners, ready for the challenges that the future holds.

please let your class teacher know. Bug Club of course counts towards the reading race so remember to record any reading that you do at home with your children. Children must read at least three times a week to be counted.

Children will continue to receive a new phonics reading book in their phonic sessions, which will be changed every **Friday**.

Spellings will continue to be taught weekly in our Phonics sessions and will be tested on Fridays. Please can children have their **spelling books on Fridays** so new the new spelling set can be stuck in. Any additional revision of these you can do at home will greatly improve your child's chances of spelling them correctly in the test and in future written work.

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 term we be trying to include as much learning outside as possible. 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.
- **Library** day will be on a **Monday**, so please ensure their borrowed books are in their bag. This is a lovely opportunity to try lots of different books and select books with their peers.

We hope that you and your children enjoy the term ahead of us. If you have any questions please come and speak to your class teacher.

Many thanks,

Year 1 Team

Mrs Boyce, Miss Lees, Mrs Norton

Mrs Fenner, Miss Shore, Mrs Young

Caring



Respecting



Thriving Together



Bishopswood Federation work together to develop kind and considerate children who are resilient, reflective and motivated learners, ready for the challenges that the future holds.