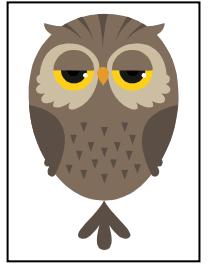


Theme

'Twinkle Twinkle'

We will think about night, about bedtime routines, people who work at night, learn facts about nocturnal animals and talk about Space. We will learn rhymes and songs and will also have lots of stories on this theme. All this will help develop associated vocabulary and language. Our art work, walls and display tables will be based on aspects of the topic as will areas of play.



Number

This month your child will continue to learn about numbers - focusing on numbers up to 6. Number formation is taught by introducing each numeral and learning a rhyme to help with writing 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Some extra practice at home would be appreciated – it is important to learn the correct formation as soon as possible.

Shared reading

Shared Reading continues as before and our books now have text. Remember to talk about the story, ask questions, retell the story and most of all have fun sharing these books with your child. Your child's homework will have ideas to help you – please use the word cards every day!

November in Year 1

Physical Development

This month the emphasis is on Line walk as part of Gymnastics. This month there will be a whole school focus on Keeping Fit. As part of 'Movember' we will be running laps to increase our fitness. We will have lots of fun!



Phonological awareness

In class we are doing lots of work on early reading skills. We will be focusing on words that rhyme. Play rhyming games including nonsense words to develop your child's awareness of rhyme.

Home Learning Tip

Now we are beginning to practise some letters and numbers in school, remember to encourage your child to have a go at scribbling, colouring, drawing, painting, writing at home too. And remember all children will be at different stages – give lots of praise! Whatever stage he/she is at, each child will be making progress and always responds well to encouragement.



Number

We will revise the numbers 1 – 6
Sorting, counting, identifying more, less and the same as, will be practised with a Christmas theme.

Christmas Concert

The Primary 1 concert is on the 14th December at 9.30am. Of course it is the highlight of this month at school – please put it in your diary now. Your class teacher will appreciate your help with learning songs and practising lines where necessary -Thank you.

Remember school finishes for P1-2 immediately after the concert.

Shared reading

Shared Reading and homework activities will continue as before and even though things may be hectic at home, we ask you to still find those few moments early in the evening to spend with your child – it is of great value. Please continue to build sentences with the word cards sent home. Thank you.

Theme

'Twinkle Twinkle'

Our 'Twinkle Twinkle' theme continues but with a Christmas emphasis; reading and talking about the First Christmas and our experience of Christmas. We shall be reading lots of Christmas stories, learning rhymes and songs and contemplating the true meaning of Christmas. Talking and listening activities, our play, art and craft, and wall and table displays will all reflect this theme. We hope it will be a fun time for everyone.

Remember -

Supper with Santa – Thursday 8th December from 6.30pm onwards

P1/2 Christmas Concert – Wednesday 14th December 9.30am

Theatre trip to see 'Cinderella' at the Millennium Forum- Friday 16th December

End of term is the 21st December at 12 noon – no uniform required

December in Year 1



Reading

In class we have begun learning initial sounds. Coming soon - the date of our Phonics Workshop for parents in January. In class we are still doing lots of work on early reading skills. Syllable clapping is practised regularly – try some at home using Christmas words