

Friday 8th April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

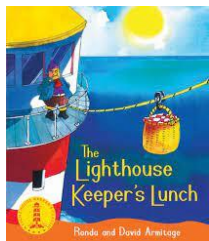
Year 1 – Term 5 – Curriculum Letter

It's been another excellent term of learning in Year 1 combined with great opportunities for the children to develop their wider personal development. We put on our dancing shoes for Comic Relief & Ukraine, celebrated another amazing World Book Day and sent home cupcake treats to our special ladies!

Next term, Year 1 will begin their '**Worldly Weather**' area of study with a focus on **Geography**. This learning will link to the different types of weather in our immediate environment along with the four seasons. We will then build on our knowledge and learn about hot and cold areas of the world and the impact different weather types can have. The children will also be able to build on their previous Geography knowledge of the local area and the City of Plymouth.

In **Geography**, we'll be learning to:

- Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom.
- Locate hot and cold areas of the world.
- Identify and describe the Equator and the North and South Poles.



In **English**, the children's writing will be based modern fiction with 'The Lighthouse Keepers' lunch and poetry with 'I love Bugs'. Both these units will build on our previous learning in Geography and Science.

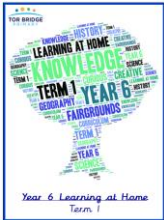
In their **Whole Class Reading** sessions, the children will begin the term by looking at 'Vlad and the Great Fire of London' which will allow them to build on their History learning from this term and will then move on to 'Fairytale Pets' a different take on traditional fairytales.



In their **Maths** learning, the children will develop their knowledge of Multiplication and Division before using this to make links with fractions. We will look at different ways to represent multiplication and division. We will be applying our learning of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to our times tables. Finally, in **Science**, Year 1 will be retrieving and building upon their knowledge of Plants from Term 3. We will be discovering what foods are crop by farmers and when it is best to plant them.



Learning at Home



In Year 1, the homework expectations include **reading at least five times a week** and **practicing a weekly set of spellings** using strategies learned in school. In addition, children will need to complete **one Curriculum task from their Home Learning Menu**. This task will allow the children to prepare for upcoming lessons and on occasions, they may find this task challenging but please be assured this will be explored further in school. **Home Learning Books must be in school every day please** and will be marked each Thursday.

Class Dojo will be available for Home Learning support and your child's Learning at Home Booklet and Home Learning Menu will be uploaded to the Class Story. Staff will only be able to answer questions related to Home Learning via Class Dojo. Children are welcome to upload pictures of their learning.

PE next term will be on a **Tuesday** for 1MK. As we will be studying Athletics in PE, lots of the sessions will take place outdoors so please ensure your child has appropriate PE kit and a water bottle. Children are encouraged to wear their PE kit to school on their PE day. As the days become warmer, a hat is also advised.

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Teacher

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