



# Class 1 Summer 1 Newsletter

I hope that everyone had a restful Easter break. I've spent some time this Easter putting together a half term that should be as fun as it is interesting.

We have transitioned our reading over to Collins Big Cat which integrates with our Little Wandle phonics programme. In school we will continue reading three times a week in groups. The books for the week will go home on a Friday to be returned the next week. Please do try to remember to return the books, the new scheme requires circulation to be regular. The Big Cat books are a great and extensive set of books, I'm sure Class 1 will continue to enjoy them immensely. Reading at home beyond the set reading is always encouraged as well.

For homework we will send out a homework log with a selection of tasks related to the learning for the half-term. Completing these at your own pace will complement the learning in school. As we roll things out the weekly homework should look roughly like this:

English – Continue with your reading! Reading with your children is possibly the most important part of home learning. To help with phonics practice I'll also send out an email every week detailing the phonics sounds and words.

One of either a maths task, or literacy task or a task from the Learning Log. These should last no longer than 15 minutes

There are also some optional tasks...

Things like impromptu maths (money and time are helpful ones) can be a good idea, and encouraging any existing enthusiasm for writing and reading in your child is also *always* a good idea. Just asking the children to recount what they have learned that day is valuable retrieval. The children's engagement and eagerness for learning beyond the classroom continues to be amazing, thank you for encouraging and supporting this at home!

Maths@home – This is a folder on our maths display where the children can *if they want to* take worksheets related to what we've been learning in maths. These can be completed and returned for a reward.

SPaG@home – This is a folder on our spelling and grammar (SPaG) display where the children can *if they want to* take worksheets related to what we've been learning in our Tuesday SPaG lessons. These can be completed and returned for a reward.

PE will return to be on a **Monday** and **Thursday**. Please send a **named** PE kit to school for children to keep on their peg for the half term; they will need a white t-shirt, short, joggers and trainers. Please ensure long hair is tied back and earrings are covered/removed on these days. Please do not send toys into school as we do not want them getting lost or damaged. Chocolate and sweets should only be coming into school for birthdays. Show, Tell and Listen was lovely in Spring 2, time continues to be tight in the timetable, so we'd like to continue to try to limit show and tell to things made, things achieved, or things read.

This half term we are beginning our topic of 'I wonder...'. Please see the topic web attached for greater detail of the areas we are going to cover. If there are any ideas you may have or items to bring in for display or discussion these would be more than welcome.

If at any time you have any questions or queries then please don't hesitate to ask. Any concerns we need to be aware of for that day as well as changes to collection can be emailed or mentioned at the gate. You can also use this method to request a longer chat after school. You can contact me on the school email: [thooper@westonturville.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:thooper@westonturville.bucks.sch.uk)

With thanks for your continued support  
The Class 1 Team

## Art

Art – Famous British  
Artists: William  
Turner, David Hockney

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Artists: Antony  
Gormley, Andy  
Goldsworthy

## Computing

Word Processing

Applying musical  
theory with instruments

## Music

Using key musical  
concepts such as beat,  
rhythm, pitch and  
tempo.

## History

David Attenborough –  
Broadcaster and  
naturalist

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## PE

Running and jumping -  
Thu

Circuit training - Mon

## Science

Plants

## PSHE & RE

PSHE – Staying safe

RE – Important stories

## **Multiplication**

(Although we will not be using this terminology, we talk about 'equal groups' as a means of building understanding)

## **Division**

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## **Maths**

Fractions

Geometry – Position  
and Direction

Reading and  
understanding stories  
(Oliver Jeffers)

Prefixes and suffixes

**Sentence structure  
and writing**

## **English**

Questions

Singular and plural

Writing instructions

Writing poetry

Writing a character  
diary

Writing a story

# **Class 1 Summer 1 2022-2023 Overview**

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