



Year 1 Homework Letter - Friday 12th September

Welcome back to a new school year! All the children have settled back in really well.

English

This week we have begun reading a story called 'Cave Baby'. The story of a naughty boy who lives in a cave, is about dreams and imagination. We have looked at some stone-age animals and used words to describe them. Once we read the story, we tried to sequence the events and we are now moving onto writing sentences for each part of the story. Next week we will be acting the story out to help us remember it. We talked about times when we had been naughty as children, if you managed to capture such a moment, I would love to have a photo to add to our display. These will be copied and then returned.

Reading books will be changed 3 times a week on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please read with your child every evening if you are able for 10-15 minutes, I understand how busy everyone is, but it will be invaluable with regards to how quickly they progress with their reading. Please also practice the set spellings for this week on Purple Mash.

This week

The children have settled in well this week. They have understood the new routines of the classroom. We have been for an Autumn walk to see and meet the chickens which the children have enjoyed. Each week a group of children will get to visit them and help look after them as part of our well being. As part of our emotional literacy, we have begun some mindfulness sessions with the children in the mornings and after lunch as well as starting to read some stories about our emotions. We will start to look at a different emotion each week to help the children truly understand how they are feeling.

Maths

This week we have been counting to 20 and back down to 0. We have been recognising and writing numbers. We have also practised ordering numbers to 20. We are really good at this already, in fact some children can order numbers to 50! For homework please practise counting from 0 to 20 and back again, and practise writing these numbers. I have also set related activities on Purple Mash.

Homework

Homework will be sent out online every Friday and the tasks should be completed by the following Wednesday. Purple Mash logins have been attached to the inner front cover of their reading logs for use with future homework. Please use this with your child as a fun-interactive cross curricular learning platform.

Key Dates

Harvest Service at Christ Church- **Thursday 16th October**

Half term- **Saturday 25th October - Sunday 2nd November**

Anti-Bullying week- **Monday 13th- Friday 17th November**

Year One Phonics training- **Tuesday 11th November 3:30pm - 4:15pm - classroom**

Parent/Carers- meetings - **Monday 2nd November - Thursday 27th November**

School photographer individual photos- **Tuesday 18th November**

Friday 14th November - odd socks all week

Have a lovely weekend,
The Year One team