

Year 1

Class newsletter

Term 1

12th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

I am so excited to start my time at Wylam First School teaching your children this year. We have lots of exciting adventures this year starting off very soon with our visit to the Theatre Royal to see 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'.

Staff

In Year 1 this year will be myself. Our excellent Learning Support Assistant is Ms Annette Thompson. My management time will be covered by Mrs Heffernan.

PE

Our PE days are Monday and Thursday. Please can the children bring their PE kit in on Monday and leave in school until Friday when they will be sent home. The children will need both shorts and longer bottoms as they will be indoors and outdoors each week.

Outdoor Sessions

Welly Wednesday! Every Wednesday we will be using the outstanding outdoor area available to us in school. The children will need their Wellington Boots in School every Wednesday. They can be left in school in plastic bag on the children's pegs or they can bring them in every week.

Homework

The children have a half termly Homework Challenge sheet. The children can choose different challenges to do each week. There will be a variety of challenges from going for a walk to creating artwork. It would be wonderful to see the end product either in actual form or as a picture. These will be displayed on our Homework board.

Reading

As we have started a new Phonics program so the way we send reading books home has changed. In school each child will read a book three times a week in a group with an adult. Along with this the children will bring a book to share with an adult. These books are not decodable and therefore there may be words that they have not learned- this the sharing part where

you can read alongside your child and share the reading.

They will also bring home a library book from our class library to enjoy.

Autumn term Literacy

Throughout the term we link high quality literature to the different areas of the curriculum we are learning.

We will be focusing on the correct letter formation and writing sentences structured with capital letters at the beginning, full stops at the end and finger spaces between words.

We will be writing stories, listening to and learning different poems and writing instructions.

Autumn term Maths

Across this term we will be focusing on Place Value and Addition & Subtraction to and within 10. We will be ensuring that children are firm in their basic understanding of numbers which will enable them to grasp more challenging concepts as we work through the year.

Autumn Term Topics

Term 1A- We built this city- with a Geography focus.

Term 1B- Toys throughout the ages- with a History focus.

Extra Curricular Activities

Term 1A

Class Trip- The Tiger Who Came to Tea- Newcastle Theatre Royal.

Harvest Festival

Term 1B

Any other key information

Y1 will be going to the Theatre Royal to see The Tiger Who Came to Tea. We will be asking for parents to volunteer to come along nearer the time.

Kind regards,

Miss Jill Dodds

Deputy Headteacher