



Our Year 1 Classroom News

Spring Term Information

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Welcome



We are really looking forward to the new term. We hope you have a wonderful, restful break.

We will start the Spring term with our new topic called **Kings, Queens and Castles** where we will be learning about royalty past and present and learning about the features of castles.

Things to Remember

PE:

Year 1 have PE as follows;

- **London Bridge** on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- **Tower Hill** on Wednesdays and Thursdays
- **Green Park** on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Reading

We would like to emphasise the importance of regular reading, (at least 3 times a week). We have noticed that the children who read regularly are making great progress in reading. Please ensure your child doesn't miss out on this!

Our Topic

Over the course of the Spring 1 term, we will explore these exciting learning questions:

Can the children use words and phrases like: old, new and a long time ago?

Do the children understand that we have a queen who rules us?

Do they appreciate that some famous people have helped make our lives better today?

(link to rights, charity, British values, people being knighted)

Can I understand what different parts of a castle are?

Can I understand the different roles of people in a castle?



In English, we will be writing to entertain, in the form of a descriptive letter and a descriptive story. The books we will be using as inspiration, are 'The kiss that missed' and 'Jack and the Beanstalk.'

In Maths, we will continue practising different strategies for addition and subtraction. We will cover place value to 50, including counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

In Science,

We will be learning about plants and growing, naming the parts of plants and identifying a range of common plants and trees.



Important Dates

7 th Jan	Children back to school.
11 th Jan	Launch Day (no dressing up!)
15 th Jan	Local walk to the nature reserve.
16 th - 17 th Jan	Parents Evenings
15 th , 29 th Jan, 12 th Feb, 5 th , 19 th Mar, 2 nd Apr	Year 1 Parent Open mornings.
18 th - 23 rd Feb	Half Term
4 th Mar	World Book Week
15 th March	Comic Relief
1 st Apr	Science Week