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Dear Parents/Carers,

Y1 Half Termly Letter – Summer Term 1 2022

We hope you had a lovely break. We are very excited to begin our new topic this half term. We will be learning about daring explorers of space and Antarctica!

Maths

We will be introducing the children to multiplication and division using the term 'groups of' and using resources such as egg boxes to help children to visualise arrays. We will also begin to look at fractions, naming half and quarters of objects, shapes and amounts. We will also be learning to use positional and directional language to describe movement.

Reading

Please make sure that children bring in their book bags every day. Please see the accompanying letter about levelled reading books, which explains that we will now be swapping them twice a week, every Monday and Thursday. The children are able to change the book they borrow from the class book corner as frequently as required. In total, we ask you to aim for 5 home reads each week and record these in their reading diaries. We will work together as a class to earn the EYFS/ KS1 reading trophy!

Home Learning

Please see the document with some starter home learning ideas for this half term. If your child has worked on a home learning project, we are asking that you don't send it into school, but share a photo of it via Seesaw, so that it can be shared with the class. You can also access Numbots and Education City at home to support your child's learning.

Please continue to practise spelling tricky troll words at home. To help you know what we are learning in class, we will continue to stick a sticker in your child's reading diary each week which will show you the focus tricky troll word(s) of the week. We have also attached another copy of all of the words we have learned to read and write so far below. We'd love to see pictures of you practising your tricky troll words, do send a picture/video via Seesaw.

PE

Children will continue to change for PE once they are in school so please remember to leave named PE kit on pegs. Please make sure that earrings are taken out on PE days, or support children to learn how to take them out on their own. Our PE lesson days are Monday and Friday. Please ensure that on these days children are wearing clothes that they are able to change out of independently and have their hair tied back if necessary. As the weather improves, we will begin to have some PE lessons outside so please ensure that children are wearing trainers on PE days.

Fruit and Water

Children are provided with a piece of fruit every day, but you are welcome to send them in with another piece if you wish. Water bottles are kept on the trolleys outside class. Please take them home daily to refresh.

Home times/pick up

Please remember to let us know if someone different is collecting your child at home time.

Other reminders

Do send in spare pants/clothing if your child may need this.

It is useful to have a pair of named wellies which can be left in school, as this means we can make full use of our forest area, even when the weather is a bit wet.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Taylor and Miss Hayhurst
Year 1 teachers

Here are some ideas to help you practise tricky troll words at home:

1. Write the words on post-its and hide them around your home for your child to find and read.
2. Write the tricky troll word in lots of different colour pens, talk about what makes it 'tricky'.
3. Spot the word in books.
4. Put the tricky troll word up as a "password" to read as you go in/out of a room.
5. Write the letters of the tricky troll word on different pieces of paper for your child to find and put together.
6. Play bingo with tricky troll words.

Tricky Troll Word List

to
the
I
no
go
into
he
she
we
me
be
was
you
they
all
are
my
her
said
have
like
so
do
some
come
were
there
little
one
when
out
what
oh
their
people
Mr
Mrs
looked
called
asked
could