

Dates for the Diary:

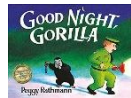
- Year 1 Phonics Information session – Thursday 24th November – 9:00 and 17:30
- Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 9th December
- Year 1 Christmas Performance – Tuesday and Wednesday 13th and 14th December – 9:30
- End of Term 2 – Friday 16th December

We are Writers



As Writers, we have been exploring why there is a capital letter in the middle of a sentence! We have been reading 'Billy and the Beast' and learned about proper nouns. We are going to be using our knowledge of proper nouns to write short sentences to create a Gem Certificate for Billy!

In week 3, we will be exploring the wordless book 'Goodnight Gorilla'. We will be writing the story of 'Goodnight Gorilla' using simple sentences using our talking topaz power to share our ideas.



Handwriting and spelling

In Year 1, we have a handwriting session daily. During these sessions, we focus on pencil grip, letter formation and writing words containing these letters. Each week, we teach of letters which are all formed similarly.



We are Self-Aware Citizens

During our Friday afternoon PSHE lessons, we have been exploring the theme Celebrating difference. In this learning we have been reflecting on what is similar and different about our classmates, what bullying is and what to do about bullying, how to make new friends and the importance of celebrating that everyone is different.



We are Performers

During our performers unit, we will be getting ready for our very exciting Year 1 nativity performance! We are going to be learning about what makes a good performer. We will also be designing and creating props, the backdrop and costumes for the nativity. There will be lots of time to practise our performance and to use our Topaz power to make sure we can project our voices so everyone can hear us!



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We are Artists

As artists, we will be exploring collage. During this unit, we will have different materials to collage our very own winter card, wrapping paper and winter decoration!



We are Geographers



We will be continuing our Geography learning and adding to our 'Season Book'. We will be exploring the signs of winter by discussing what happens in winter. We will go on a short walk around the school to see what signs of winter we can see!

General Reminders:

Please remind your child to hand in their reading folder daily. This means that we can read with as many children as possible during the school day 😊



We are Mathematicians

In Maths, we are comparing amounts using the mathematical vocabulary of 'more than', 'greater than', 'fewer than'. We will then move onto exploring number bonds and deepening our understanding of composition of the numbers 0-5. Finally, we will be exploring 2D and 3D shapes. As a mathematician, we will be developing our reasoning through exploratory activities and using our Topaz power to explain our mathematical thinking.



This term we will also be...

Athletes – we are focusing on the skill of jumping and landing safely.

Linguists – we are starting our journey of being a linguist this term! We will be learning words in Spanish.

RE – this term, we will be exploring Christianity and the festival of Christmas.