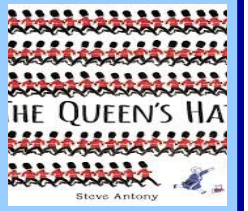
English

In English, this half term, we will be **reading** the book, The Queen's Hat. Your child will be able to recall the story, sequence events, predict what will happen next and write questions to ask the Queen. Along side this we will also be doing some exciting acting of the story and taking on different roles!

Our **non-fiction** writing will consist of writing recounts. The children will learn how to use past tense verbs to recall and record information. This writing will link in with our Geography topic and our visit to a real castle!

In **S.P.a.G** we will be focussing on the very important skills that are needed to form sentences. For example, using capital letters and full stops plus using spaces between words. You can support your child at home by practising writing sentences together and making sure they form their letters correctly as well as being able to be read by others. Encourage your child to use their phonics skills in their writing.





Topic

This term our topic is 'The Local Area'.

In **Geography**, we will be learning about our local area and looking at places we visit often and places we don't visit very often. We will be drawing maps and exploring Nelson.



In **Music**, we will be exploring different sounds, rhythm, pulse and pitch through the genre of Rap. We will also be getting musical using our bodies as instruments.



In **Art and Design**, we will be exploring different materials to create artefacts that have a royal significance.

In **ICT**, the children will be learning all about technology all around us as well as how to keep safe.





Mathematics





This term we will be learning to read, write, recognise and understand **numbers to 20**. A very important skill that the children will be learning is to understand the place value of these numbers and representing them in different ways.

We will use our understanding of numbers to count forwards and backwards, understand more and less than, use symbols to represent this, add, subtract and apply these skills to solve problems as well as reason as to why they have given the answer they have.

The children will also be learning about **shapes** and their properties.

We are very excited to begin our practical maths lessons!



P. E.

Year 1 will have two P.E lessons per week; on Wednesday afternoon (out door) and Thursday morning (indoor).

Your child must come to school on PE days wearing their PE kits.

All children are expected to participate in PE sessions and **MUST** have their PE uniform on before coming to school. This includes:

Plain, white, round necked t-shirt

Plain black shorts / tracksuit bottoms with an elasticated waist

Black pumps without laces

No earrings or jewellery to be worn during P.E



Homework

The children in Year 1 have homework **every** week. Your child will have to complete a piece of English and Maths. As well as their reading book, Reading Rocket and spellings.

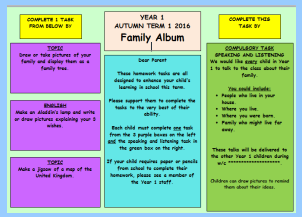
<u>Homework will be sent out, via Class Dojo, on a Friday and should be returned, via Class Dojo, by Tuesday. Homework books are to be left at home!</u>

We suggest that you read with your child every night if possible. It is best to do this in short sessions, so don't worry if you don't finish the whole book, just write down the date and page number in your child's reading diary and we will carry on in school!

Please **sign** your child's reading diary and add a comment so that we know when your child has read at home.

We will change your child's reading book, if they have read, on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.** Spelling tests / Reading Rockets will be every **Friday.**

There will also be a half-termly homework grid which suggests fun activities for you to talk about and complete with your child. Please note that the children are expected to **choose one activity from each side** but do not complete all of the tasks!


COMPLETE 1 TASK FROM BELOW BY

YEAR 1
AUTUMN TERM 1 2016
Family Album

COMPLETE THIS TASK BY

TOPIC
Draw or take pictures of your family and display them as a family tree.

Dear Parent
These homework tasks are all designed to enhance your child's learning in school this term.
Please support them to complete the tasks to the very best of their ability.
Each child must complete one task from the 3 purple boxes on the left and the speaking and listening task in the green box on the right.
If your child requires paper or pencils from school to complete their homework, please see a member of the Year 1 staff.

COMPULSORY TASK
SPEAKING AND LISTENING
We would like every child in Year 1 to talk to the class about their family.
You could include:
- People who live in your house
- Where you live
- Where you were born.
- Family who might live far away

These talks will be delivered to the other Year 1 children during w/c **********
Children can draw pictures to remind them about their ideas.

ENGLISH
Make an Aladdin's lamp and write or draw pictures explaining your 3 wishes.

TOPIC
Make a jigsaw of a map of the United Kingdom.

<u>If you have any problems helping your child to complete their homework, please come and talk to us by booking an appointment.</u>

Year 1
Autumn 1

Welcome to Year 1!

Your new teachers are:

Mrs Bridges and Miss Rush

If you have any queries or problems, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01282 614834