

Squirrel Class

Hello and a very warm welcome to Squirrel class! Myself, Mrs Park, Mrs Hawes and Miss McCleary have loved getting to know all of your wonderful children this week! All of the children have settled in brilliantly and it is great to see how they have adapted to moving up to Year 1.

Next week, your child will be introduced to this half terms learning theme 'What makes a Superhero?' This is a fantastic theme that will focus on not only our personal superheroes but also our everyday heroes such as doctors, nurses, police and firefighters.

In English, we will be learning to write simple sentences. We will also be using adjectives and verbs when writing about what makes ourselves a superhero. We will be using key texts such as Superworm and Traction Man as inspiration for our writing.

During Phonics, we are consolidating Phases 2 and 3 while learning Phase 5.

In Maths, the focus for the first half term will be number and place value. Having a solid understanding of numbers is vitally important so that the children can add and subtract correctly. We like to use a variety of concrete materials such as Numicon, cubes, sticks, shells and so on to support our understanding of number.

Important information

PE will be on a Monday afternoon. Your child is expected to come into school wearing their PE kits. They do not need to change into their uniforms after so therefore, will not need school uniform on a Monday. PE kits should be trainers (we are working outside this half term), navy/black shorts and a white t-shirt. Please ensure all long hair is tied back and earrings are not worn on a Monday.

On Monday, your child will be given a reading book to take home. Sharing stories and listening to your child read can really help further their learning. I completely understand that life can be busy, but we ask that you listen to your child read at least 3 times a week. They will be getting a "star in the jar" if they have. Your child will be expected to bring in their reading book everyday and it will be changed every Monday and Friday.

In this first term, our Maths will be focused on number and place value. Any counting, number recognition or practising forming numbers will really help to support your child.

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What Makes a Superhero?

In Science, we will be learning about humans and the human body. We will be identifying and naming the basic parts of the body using correct Scientific vocabulary. We will also be learning about the senses and how these are associated with the different body parts.

In Design and Technology, the children will be learning about food. We will be learning about what makes a healthy diet and using knife skills to make our very own fruit kebabs!

Mrs Hawes will teach Year 1 on a Friday this year and will focus on RE, PSHE and Music.

Special Dates:

Meet the teacher session

Mon Sept 11th 3.30-4pm

Parent Consultations – Tues 17th and Thurs 19th October (more details to follow)

Superhero Day – Thurs 19th (more details to follow).

End of half term – Friday 20st Oct