



Year 1 Newsletter - Autumn 1

Reading Books:

Reading books were all sent home last week after I had heard each child read - they did so well! Please can you help your child to read their books as often as possible and do some of the activities on the book covers. Books will be changed at least twice weekly. Thank you!

Library:

We will be having a session each week in the school library on Thursdays. The children may take a book home each

Hello and a very big welcome to you and your children to Year 1. I would like to just start by saying how well all of the children did last week during their first few days back in school. I really enjoyed getting to know them all and I already know that it's going to be an exciting and enjoyable year! The children were all so happy meeting back up with their friends again and I hope that they all came home happy at the end of each day. New faces and routines can be slightly over-facing at times in these early stages but hopefully the new ways will be learned very quickly. Myself, Mrs Snowden and Mrs Mayor are all very much looking forward to working with your children over the course of this next year at Clifton!

Mr Atkinson

ENGLISH:

Phonics - Daily sessions with lots of recapping to begin with.
Revision of key words and tricky words also.
Spelling - Daily sessions within phonics
Reading - Will be individual with a reading book and through group-guided sessions
Handwriting - Lots of fine motor skills as well as practising our cursive handwriting style.
Writing - Tasks based around the story - 'Naughty Bus' by Jan Oke

MATHS:

We have started by looking at our Numbers 1-20 and will be starting our 'Maths Mastery' scheme next week.
This half-term our topics are:
Place Value; Length and Mass; Addition

OTHER CURRICULUM SUBJECTS:

Science - Wonderful weather - Seasons
Art and Design - Portraits - Primary colours - Printing skills
Computing - On-line safety and exploring Purple Mash
Geography - UK countries and capital cities
PE - Games and Fundamental Movement Skills (eg. run, hop, skip, jump, catch, roll, kick, bounce, under arm throw and over arm throw)
PSHE - Relationships - exploring families and friendships
RE - Why do Christians say that God is a 'Father'?



How you can help at home:

- Attendance - excellent attendance at school is essential for the children to be successful in their learning.
- Reading - 'little and often' at home will really help the children make good progress throughout the year.
- Communication - please make myself (or one of the other adults working with your child) aware of any events which may impact on your child's well-being in school.
- Home Learning - We will be using our Homework books to support our learning in school - please support your child with the tasks and activities they are given each week ... many thanks in advance!!

INFORMATION, DATES & REMINDERS:

Homework book - **Wednesdays**

Library books - **Tuesdays**

Reading Folders - **Everyday** (books changed twice a week)

Website - Follow the link to our class page on the school website:
<https://www.clifton-pri.lancs.sch.uk/year-1>

PE Days - **Tuesdays and Fridays** - please remember to send your children to school in their kits!

Meet the teacher - **Wednesday 18th September at 3.15 - 4.00pm**