



## Year 1 Newsletter - Summer 2

### Reading Books (including Library books):

We continue to celebrate our love of reading in Year 1. I am so impressed by how much reading is done by so many children, both shared and independent. Please keep this up and do ask the children about the books we read in school and what they enjoy the most about them! Please can some children have a hunt for any Library books that they may have at home! We will continue to change these books every Tuesday until the last week of term! Many thanks for your support!

### ENGLISH:

Phonics - Daily sessions focussing on Phases 3-5 with regular assessments  
Increased vocabulary with a focus now on sentence structure and punctuation!  
Spelling - Daily sessions within phonics  
Reading - Individual, with their own reading books, and guided reading tasks  
Handwriting - Lots of fine motor skills as well as practising our cursive style.  
Writing - Tasks based around our Year 1 stories:

'Didaji's Paintbrush' by Ruchi Mhasane &  
'Julian is a Mermaid' by Jessica Love

### MATHS:

We will continue to work very hard on many aspects of our Mathematics!  
This half-term our topics are:  
Position and Direction, Time,  
Multiplication and Division, Statistics and Calculation, Measurement and  
Sorting and Sequencing.

Well, where has this year gone ... I can't quite believe we're now two weeks into our final half-term together. I know that I will get an opportunity to tell you all this before the end of the year, but I just want to say in this final Newsletter just how much I have enjoyed this year with your children. They have been so much fun, a pleasure to teach and they have worked so very hard over the course of the year. This half-term is packed full of lots of exciting things. I am also trying to organise a short trip to the seaside for us all to support the work we will be doing within our topic on 'local history' - watch this space! This week has seen the children complete their Phonics Screening Tests and what they have achieved is a result of a lot of hard work and determination; they have shown great progress and so a huge thank you must go to you for your continued support and for all of the homework you have helped with on Phonics. Remember, my door will remain open as always so please feel free to find me in needed! *Mr Atkinson*

### OTHER CURRICULUM SUBJECTS:

Science - Animals - including Humans: The Senses  
Art - 2D and 3D Art  
French - Jungle Animals  
Computing - Storybooks  
History - Ancestry and Our Local Area  
PE - FMS (Fundamental Movement Skills - Kicking) and Athletics  
Music - Sing Up: Year 1 Music Activities  
PSHE - Challenging Feelings / Emotions 'My Happy Mind' - Engage  
RE - Christianity: How might Christians say they 'belong' to God?



### How you can help at home:

- Attendance - excellent attendance at school is essential for the children to be successful in their learning. Please try to avoid taking holidays during term time!
- Reading - 'little and often' at home will continue to help the children massively.
- 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 - I always enjoy looking at the effort that so many put into their Homework and I know this only happens with your support so thank you again for all the help that is given with Homework!

### INFORMATION, DATES & REMINDERS:

Homework book - **Fridays**

Library books - **Tuesdays**

Reading Folders - **Everyday**

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

PE Days - **Wednesdays and Fridays**

Health + Fitness Wk: w/b 30<sup>th</sup> June  
KS1 Sports Day: 1<sup>st</sup> July 1:30pm  
Summer Fair: 11<sup>th</sup> July 5-7pm  
Open Eve: 16<sup>th</sup> July 3:15 - 4:30pm  
Term ends: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Please do remember the children's sunhats, suncream and water bottles!