Teaching AssistantOldbrook First School

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Living and Learning Together



<u>Year 1 - Autumn 2</u>

This half term our topic will be based around the book 'The Jolly Postman'. We will learn the Gingerbread Man story and read other traditional tales.

Our learning this half term

English: We will learn to read and spell key high frequency words and use them to write simple sentences. We will read traditional stories and learn to role play and retell them in our own words. We will read and write poems using pattern and rhyme.

Maths: Children will become more confident when counting, writing and ordering numbers. We will practice number bonds to 10, addition and subtraction to 5, 10, 20, 100 and above. We will halve and double numbers. We will name 2d and 3d shapes, talk about their properties and learn to sort them into groups. We continue to develop mental maths strategies to help calculate quickly in order to solve problems.

Computing: We will find out about ways to stay safe when using the internet. We will learn to give clear instructions using positional language.

Science: We are learning to name parts of our bodies and use our senses. We will learn that humans grow and change.

Geography: We will look at natural and manmade features of places and learn to name them. We will use maps and begin to make our own maps using a key.

RE: We will find out about the festivals of Diwali, Hanukah and Christmas. We will find out about how these special times are celebrated.

Art and Design: We will explore materials including clay and develop our sculpting skills.

Design and Technology: We will be exploring mechanisms and making moving pictures.

Cooking: We will be learning to follow instructions to cook gingerbread men and more!.

PE: We will be developing our throwing and catching skills using small and large balls.

Music: We will be hearing and reproducing long notes and short notes, with a strong emphasis on listening skills. We will also be rehearsing Christmas songs.

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PSHE: We will learn about how to be safe including internet safety, firework safety and road safety.

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How you can help your child this half term:

- Make sure the children have their P.E. kit in school everyday. We have a flexible timetable and try to make the best use of the school facilities to help the children learn. This means P.E. could happen on different days of the week.
- Read with your child each night and continue to read to them. Please sign and date the book each day when you have read with your child.
- Year 1 children will be bringing their home learning books home on a Thursday and then need to return them to school each Tuesday*-+.
- Look in your child's book-bag every day for letters and information from school.
- Recognise and name each letter in the alphabet and read key words that are in your child's reading record.
- Talk to your child about the work they are doing at school.
- Practice counting with your child and solving simple maths word problems.
- Talk about places you know. What can you see in these places?
- Name parts of the body.

If you have any concerns regarding your child, please do not hesitate to drop in for a chat.

Miss Davies - The Ladybirds' teacher

Miss Jarman - The Robins' teacher

Mrs Harvey - Year 1 Teaching Assistant

Mrs D'Costa - Year 1 Teaching Assistant