

Yr. 1 Home learning



Dear Year 1 Parents and Carers,

Welcome to home learning! Despite all that is going in our country at the moment, this opportunity to work at home with your child is unique (and hopefully memorable!) and we want you and your child to be able to get the most out of it!

Below you will find a brief rundown of what we have been learning in each subject the past few weeks and some ideas of how you can extend this learning at home in an exciting way.

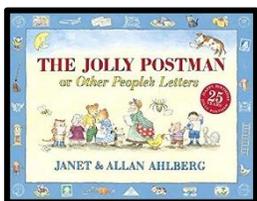
Along with the home learning pack, I would please ask that you continue to read with your child every day – even if it means re-reading some books! It would be great if, when possible, you could please continue to record in your child's reading log every time you read so we are able to get a comprehensive idea of what the children have done when we come back.

Literacy

This term, the children have been reading and writing letters. We have received letters from fairy-tale characters and even real children in other schools. The children have even interviewed a real postman!

Here are some ideas to further this learning:

- Write a letter to family member who you might not be able to visit right now.
- Exchange addresses with a friend from school and communicate via letters. If not by post, you could ask an adult to email it for you. You could be pen-pals with a friend from school!
- Send letters to school for us to open when we come back telling the class all about what you have been up to.



The book we have been reading is called **The Jolly Postman**. The children can watch it here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gpeo_oyoDok&t=72s

These letters are great examples for the children to listen. You could even ask the children to get into character and write a letter to one of the characters in the story!

Maths

Year 1's unit this term revolves around measurement. Please read the learning objects from the National Curriculum to see what we have been covering:

Pupils should be taught to:

- ♣ *compare, describe and solve practical problems for:*
- ♣ *lengths and heights [for example, long/short, longer/shorter, tall/short, double/half]*
- ♣ *mass/weight [for example, heavy/light, heavier than, lighter than]*
- ♣ *capacity and volume [for example, full/empty, more than, less than, half, half full, quarter]*

Some practical ideas to support your child with this learning are:



- Cook or bake in the kitchen using kitchen scales.
- Collect a variety of containers from around the house and have a 'tea party' with your child exploring how much liquid each container can hold.
- Use a tape measure/ruler to measure objects in the house. Can you measure the different members of your family? Can you record your discoveries in your home learning book?

Topic

The term our focus of learning in topic this term is **geography**. Please see below for some home learning projects that require minimum resources to do and that can be brought into school and shared when we reopen.



Project 1: A UK Tour

Create a fact file about the countries in the UK! Have your child focus either on England, Scotland, Ireland or Wales and research and create an information booklet telling us all about it. You could include information on the country's flags, foods, symbols, festivals, languages and traditions!

Present your work on a paper booklet, poster or maybe even a PowerPoint (and practise some ICT skills in there too!)



Project 2: Our Local Area

Can you use Google Earth/Google maps to locate your house? What different landmarks facilities and features are there around your house? Create a map using different art materials (pens, collage materials, photographs, paints etc.) of your local area. Remember to always check with your adult before using the internet!

Phonics and Spellings



I have included in your pack phonics revision pages and worksheets that should last you a nice long time! This is vital review for the children that will help them retain their phonics knowledge so please do ensure your child works their way through these pages at their own pace.

I have also included a page of Year 1 common exception words ('tricky words'). Feel free to assign your child words to learn from this list throughout the week and hold your own 'spelling game' at home! I'm sure they will be able to teach you how it works! 😊



Art – The children have been learning to print to create patterns using different techniques and materials. Try creating your own printing design at home using a potato and paint. Explore printing with different (washable!) objects you can find. What patterns and shapes can you make?



PE – The children have been learning striking and fielding through playing team football. We have learnt simple ball skills including dribbling with the ball and kicking accurately. Any opportunity to hold a family game of football is something I know the children would thoroughly enjoy!



Music – the children have been learning about patterns in music. Having the children listening to a variety of music, copying rhythms and creating their own rhythms would be beneficial. Can they make their own instrument using junk modelling? What musical patterns and rhythms can you create? Maybe you could even record them on iPhones/iPads to share at a later date.

I hope these ideas help you in your home learning journey over the next few weeks! Stay safe and we will see you soon. We look forward to hearing from the children all about it!