



# Gilbertstone Primary School

## Year 1 Autumn 1 Newsletter



### Hello and welcome to Year 1

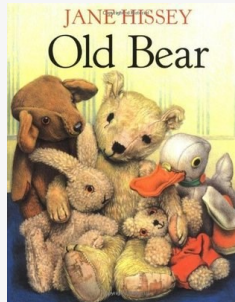
The summer holidays feel like a distant memory now, but the children have made a great start to Year 1 and have settled into their new routines well. We are excited to share all of the lovely learning that we will be doing this half term.

#### Literacy

This half term we will be reading the story 'Old Bear' by Jane Hissey.

As part of this, we will be writing our own narratives based on the story.

Children will be learning how to build simple sentences and doing lots of oral rehearsal before recording. They will also learn how to use capital letters (including for names) and full stops.



#### Reading

Children will take part in daily Guided Reading and phonics sessions, working on phase 3 sounds.

Please remember to read with your child and fill in their orange home reading diary.



#### Maths

In Maths this half term we are going to be exploring place value within 10. This will include sorting, counting, 1 more, 1 less, less than, greater than, equal to and comparing and ordering numbers. We will explore this through different activities.



#### Science

In Science this half term, we will learn about the four seasons and the weather associated with each. We have started by making our own weather mobiles!



#### Wider Curriculum

This half term we will have a focus on Geography and Design and Technology. In Geography, we will learn more about our local area, locating features and creating maps. In D&T, we will be making our own hand puppets to retell the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood'. We can't wait to show you our creations!



#### Homework Expectations

Children have all received the first pieces of spelling homework. Children will be sent home with a yellow homework folder every Friday containing spelling and maths homework. Please complete and return by the following Wednesday. Further information regarding online reading books will be given during our upcoming Reading Workshops. Thanks!

## Classroom doors

During the last couple of weeks 1P and 1W have been working hard to create a design for their classroom door which represents how we will be aiming high to be our best in Year 1. Take a look at our wonderful designs!



## PE

Year 1 children will have indoor PE on a **Tuesday**, which is taught alongside Mr Hetherington. Our topic for this half term is 'fundamentals'. Fundamentals improves children's basic PE skills, including the ability to run, balance and jump.

Outdoor PE will take place on a **Wednesday**. Our outdoor topic is 'Ball Skills', which teaches children how to use and control a ball both with their hands and feet.

Please come to school in your PE kit.

### PE Kits (reminder)

- Trainers or pumps
- Black or navy joggers, leggings, shorts
- White, grey or black t-shirt
- Black, navy or grey plain hoodie or jumper (school jumpers are also acceptable).

## Forest School



Year 1 children will have Forest School once each half term.

1W will have Forest School on **Monday 20th October**

1P will have Forest School on **Thursday 23rd October**

In Forest School this half term, children will be completing a range of bushcraft activities.

Thank you for your support!

Mrs Peace/Mrs Begum Mrs Wilkinson  
Miss Hoxta Miss Murphy Miss Malik

