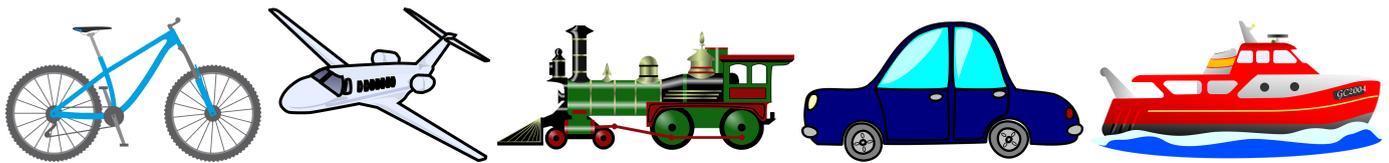




April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a good Easter holiday. We are really looking forward to an exciting term of learning based around our whole school theme 'Journeys'. Last week in Phase 1, the children enjoyed a hooks for learning morning in which they explored different ideas about Journeys, focusing on **transport**.



### **English**

We will begin the term learning facts about different modes of transport through time and how people went on journeys around the world. We will also dip into some poetry and develop our story writing further, based around stories of journeys.

### **Phonics**

We will continue daily phonics lessons, recapping all the sounds we have learnt so far, including alternative pronunciations and spellings for known graphemes. Each day the children will practise reading and writing tricky words and the 100 high frequency words (please ask your class teacher, if you need a copy at home).

In June, every Year 1 child in the country takes part in the phonics screen. This is a reading check for decoding words. We will be running an after school session on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 3.15-3.30pm to give you more information about this and how to support your child at home. We will put a sign-up sheet on the classroom door.

### **Maths**

In maths this term, we will be learning more about:

- Addition and subtraction, with lots of practise on number bonds to 20.
- Exploring 3D and 2D shapes in the world around us.
- Learning to tell the time to half past the hour
- Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to support the basics of multiplication and division
- Money - recognising coins/notes and adding different coins together
- Days of the week and months of the year
- Doubling and halving numbers

Please take a look at MyMaths, for weekly maths home learning (Please ask your class teacher for login details, if you need them).

## **Science**

Across the course of the term, the children will be learning about different materials (floating/sinking); seasonal changes (from Spring to Summer) and labelling different parts of the human body.

## **Computing**

The children will learn how to send an email, how to stay safe online, creating an animation and creating a simple code to program a robot.

## **P.E.**

PE is on Thursday morning every week. PE kits can stay at school until half term. Please ensure every item of clothing is clearly named.

## **R.E.**

The children will continue to learn about Christianity. The focus will be on how we put our trust in God and Jesus.

## **History & Geography**

We will be learning about the history of transportation, Space travel and the art of Jackson Pollock. In Geography, we will be learning to recognise human and physical features in our local area.

## **Extra Information:**

### **Bookbags/Bug Club/Library**

Please ensure your child brings their book bag with their school reading book and yellow reading record into school each day. We are very lucky to have parent volunteers who listen to your children each afternoon.

Remember for every 30 books read on Bug Club, your child will receive a head teachers award!

Library day is Thursday – please ensure book bags are at school, if you would like your child to bring a library book home.

### **Forest school**

Forest school happens rain or shine. Please send your children to school with appropriate waterproofs/clothes for the forest and wellies!

Sparrows - forest on Monday morning (come to school dressed for forest)

Robins - forest school Friday afternoon

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to what is a very exciting term of learning!

Best wishes,  
The Year One Team