
P.E.

We have 2 sessions of P.E. each week. The usually happen on Tuesdays and Thursdays however this can sometimes change. Please make sure your child has a NAMED P.E. kit in school at all times. This includes shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls. For colder weather a tracksuit can be worn outside.

Creativity

This term our core value is Creativity. We have started this by hearing the creation story from the bible and thinking about how creative God is.



Reading

We love to read in year 1 and look forward to our daily story time. The children are now able to join in with reading more and more as their own reading develops too!

Please remember to read with your child and sign their reading diary at least three times a week. When reading together encourage them to use their sounds to read the words.

We will be continuing with our whole school reading reward system so if your child reads three times they will earn a raffle ticket which is entered into our Friday reading raffle to win a prize!

All books are changed on FRIDAYS but please bring your book bag to school each day.

Topic

This term our topic is Memory Box. We have already started talking about the memories we have and why they are special. We will also be thinking about our special toys and then looking at toys from the past to see what they used to be like. Please spend some time talking about your own memories and sharing photographs with them..



Gospels Class Autumn Term 2019



Welcome to Year One!

We hope you have all enjoyed the summer break and are looking forward to the year ahead. The adults working in our classroom will be:

Mrs Smith (Class Teacher)

Mrs Watson (Teaching Assistant)

Miss Acton (Teaching Assistant)

On Tuesdays when Mrs Smith is out of the classroom Mrs Basker will be teaching.

You can follow our adventures on twitter @StGospels. We will try to update our twitter page daily so please check back regularly!

General expectations



As the children in our class are all 5 or 6 years old we expect that they are becoming more independent in their own learning and personal care. In year 1 we expect that children:

- Bring a water bottle to school every day.
- Remember to bring their own book bag into school each day.
- Can get themselves changed for P.E. independently.
- Look after their jumper and lunch bag in school making sure they put it in their tray/on their peg/on the lunch trolley.
- Follow our Good to be Green rules.

You can help by getting them to do things at home as well. Can they get themselves dressed for school? Tidy their bedroom? Help with some jobs around the house?

English

This term we will be focussing on our phonics and handwriting.

Handwriting is a key skill in Key Stage One and it is expected that children learn to form all of their letters correctly starting in the correct place and producing letters that are the correct height. We therefore spend this first term working through the different sets of letters ensuring children are confident in this.

Phonics is taught every day and the children will move through the different phases in the letters and sounds programme. Please continue to practise using sounds at home when reading and writing.

Other reminders

Our classroom is open from 8.30am each morning. The children have a challenge to complete when they arrive which helps get us wide awake ready for the day. Please make sure your child is in the classroom no later than 8.40am.

Those that are late or not in school miss out on learning which means they will fall behind. Most children are in on time and in school everyday —Well done, keep it up!

Maths

We have our daily maths sessions every morning. As we are in Year 1 we are looking at larger numbers up to 100 when counting, and calculating with numbers to 20.

Our key areas of learning will be:

- Counting to 100 and then practising counting backwards
- Reading and writing numbers to 100
- Addition and subtraction in different ways.
- Counting in steps of 2, 5 and 10.
- Comparing numbers saying which is more/less
- Learning the names of 2d and 3d shapes.

To help your child with their maths at home you could play board games, count the stairs, look for numbers when out for a walk or help pay for the shopping with some coins!