

# Class 1 Newsletter

This half term:

**Wednesday**  
**PE (earrings removed)**

Reading folders/library books returned

**Thursday**  
Community Bank

**Friday**  
**PE (earrings removed)**

Reading folders sent home  
Book Club



Welcome back! I hope you had a lovely half term holiday.

Thank you for sharing the photos for the children's Monday News session; they have really enjoyed talking about the different things they have done over the weekend.

The children really enjoyed World Book Day and it was lovely to see all their costumes! We had a lovely day: reading books, playing games, taking part in a story quiz and we made a monster biscuit.

In our phonics sessions this term, we will continue to focus on the digraphs e.g. ee, igh ai etc. We are also looking at both tricky and high frequency words. I will send home a phonics challenge for the children to complete each week. This will be either a set of flashcards or a bookmark with a number of words to practise reading. The aim is for the children to recognise the words and not need to sound them out.

We are also working on numbers to 20 and the children will be given a pack of number cards to keep at home. Please can you use them to practise recognising the numbers, putting them in order and to play games where one number is hidden and they have to work out which is missing etc.

Thank you for reading our newsletter. If you have any concerns or questions please get in touch. Miss Morgan

The children's reading folders need to be returned every **Wednesday** so they can be changed ready for the weekend. Your child's reading folder should contain their reading activity or reading book, yellow reading record, pink sound book and their library book.

Thank you!

## English

We are continuing to practise our letter sounds and we are working through the digraphs e.g. ee, ai, igh etc.

We are beginning to write simple sentences and will practise thinking of a sentence, saying it out loud then writing it down.

We will be continuing to practise our handwriting to ensure we are forming our letters correctly and neatly.

We will look at different traditional tales this half term and begin to retell stories using story language e.g. Once upon a time...

## Physical

We will be working with the Gymnastics coach this half term to explore moving in different ways. We will take part in activities to develop co-ordination and balance.



## Our topic for this half term is Once upon a time...

### Understanding the world

We will investigate different things linked to the stories we have read e.g. building a house for the three little pigs that the wolf can't knock down/ making a raft for the gingerbread man to cross the river etc.

Alongside this topic we will also be looking for signs of Spring including some of the changes that happen during this season.



## Maths

Our focus this term will be on using and applying skills including adding and taking away numbers. We will be exploring numbers up to 10 and beyond. We will count forwards and backwards to 10 starting at different numbers. We will be developing our maths facts and finding different ways to make 5 and 10.

### Creative

We will explore acting out and retelling traditional tales e.g. Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Draw or paint different story characters. Investigate colour mixing and explore how to make the colours we need for our paintings.

### PSED

Exploring our feelings and finding out which things make us happy or sad.

Work as part of a team to complete challenges.

