

# Year 1 Newsletter- Autumn 2

## Welcome back

We hope you had a lovely half term break. We are happy to see you all back and can't wait for our next half term of learning!

## Learning

This half term all of our learning will be based on traditional tales. As well as working hard to develop the children's English and maths skills we will be learning the following:

**Computing** – we will be using Beebots to create algorithms and map routes. We will also try to debug incorrect algorithms to help the Beebots find their destinations.

**D.T.** – we will be making our very own hand puppets to accompany the traditional tales we are reading. We will learn how to design, sew and evaluate our puppets before inviting you to our puppet showcase.

**Science** – we will be investigating the seasons and the changes in the environment as well as looking at properties of different materials i.e. man-made and natural.

**R.E.** – we are going to be learning about how Christian people celebrate Christmas.

## P.E. Days

**1H** – Tuesday and Thursday

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## Uniform

Please ensure your child's name is clearly on one of the labels.

This is so we can locate misplaced items for you.

## Homework

Children will continue to receive one piece of English and maths homework to be handed out each Friday and to be returned by the following Thursday. Please take the time to help your child to complete the homework as it is set to support the work they are doing within class. Please encourage children to put their

homework in the homework tray once they have completed it. This way it can be marked and they can be given their next set of homework. Each child will also be given spellings to learn, which will be tested every Friday. Please ensure that you are reading with your children at home every night.

## Half Term Homework

As our main text in English is 'The Jolly Postman', we would like the children to create their own 'Jolly Postman Picture Book.' It should include writing, pictures and can even include pop-ups, letters and postcards just like the real book! This will be due in by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.**

## Dates for your diary

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November** – Trip to Post Office

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November** - Parents Evening

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November** – Children in Need

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup>-Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November** – Anti-Bullying Week

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November** – 1HD Class Assembly (3.10pm)

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – FS and KS1 Christmas Performances

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Fair

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Puppet Showcase

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – last day of term - early closure of 2pm

