

# YEAR 1 FINAL NEWSLETTER!

Welcome back to our final term of year 1, how the year is flying by!

## The Great Fire of London

Our topic last term was an overwhelming success...thank you to all the parents who gave us such positive feedback at Parents Evening. We are so glad to hear that you can see how much the children have been enjoying their learning, and even more pleased to see and hear about all the children that visited London and Pudding Lane in the half term break!

## Colour Magic

This term we will be undertaking a whole school topic, based around Colour. Our Year 1 topic will be called 'Colour Magic' and our key fiction text will be 'The Magic Paintbrush'. Later this term, we will be using a poem called 'The Magic Box'.

We will also be learning some new artistic techniques (such as weaving, plaiting and dyeing) as well as Healthy Eating and Healthy Lifestyles in Science.

## Puppet show!

This week, your child will be bringing home puppets they have made to tell the story of the Magic Paintbrush. Encourage them to tell you the story at home and perform you a puppet show!

## A thank you!

A big thank you to all the mums, dads and grandparents who joined us in class to help out with making our fire engines at the end of last term.

The children made some fantastic models and loved learning new skills with the saws in particular!

We think our helpers enjoyed themselves as well! If you would like to come in to class to help out, perhaps by listening to readers, you would be most welcome this term. Just speak to your class teacher.

## Phonics screen

Year 1 children will be undertaking the phonic screen next week. This is a short assessment of children's phonic skills that all schools are required to administer in the week beginning the 13<sup>th</sup> June. Further details can be found on the letter also coming home in your book bag.

Please let your class teacher know if your child is due to be absent during this week or if you have any other questions.

## **P.E**



Once again, please make sure your child has a **NAMED** PE kit in school at all times. Sessions are likely to be outdoors this term so this should be:

- Shorts
- T-shirt
- Daps or trainers

## **Jumpers**



Now the weather is heating up the children are likely to take their jumpers off in class. As you will appreciate, one red jumper looks much the same as the next and the teachers are unable to keep track of which jumper belongs to which child without names in labels. Please, please, for our sanity (and your wallet!) label your child's clothes with their name!

This would be most helpful on PE kits as well – 30 t-shirts and shorts flying around inevitably lead to some mix ups!!

## **Transition to year 2**



Across this term there will be opportunities for you and your child to meet your child's new teacher for year 2.

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July – story time with new teacher in current classroom

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July – making new peg labels in new classroom

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Shuffle up day, a whole day with your new teacher. This will be followed by a 'Meet the Teacher' session for parents after school.

If you have any specific or additional concerns, of course speak to your current class teacher.

Thank you for all your support throughout year 1 and here's to a happy and successful final term!

The Year 1 Team (Miss Venn, Miss Gower, Mr Gruffydd/Mrs Lane)