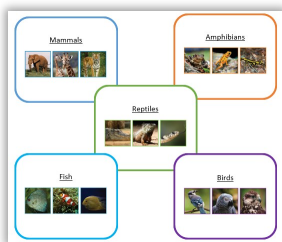


Year One — Summer 2 Newsletter

Welcome back everyone!

We're really excited to start our final half term full of new things to learn and explore.



In **Geography**, we will be learning about our local area! We'll explore the features of the school grounds and describe the surroundings and signs we may see locally.

In **PHSE**, we will be discussing how our bodies have changed, the difference between boys and girls, and ways to cope with change as we get older.

In **Science**, our topic is animals including humans, where the children will learn about the different features of animals and their classifications.

We can't wait to see everything the children will discover and enjoy this half term!



If you have any queries or concerns about anything, please do not hesitate to contact school or send a note and a meeting can be arranged!

What we will be learning about:

- **Animals** — Learning that animals have different: features (e.g. fur, feathers, paws, horns), groups/classifications (mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians), diets (omnivores, herbivores, carnivores).
- **Our local area** — learning that we live in an urban area and identifying key features of school and our local area.
- **How we change as we grow**— Talking about the human life cycle, understanding how our bodies change over time, and recognising the differences between boys and girls. Discussing ways to cope with changes as we get older.
- **Belonging to a community** — Exploring how Muslims belong to their community.
- **Art: Printing** — Exploring printing with everyday materials, natural materials, and different parts of the body.
- **Halves and quarters, position and direction**—Exploring 1 half and 1 quarter of shapes and quantities. Exploring how objects can be positioned and how they can move and change direction.
- **Writing for different purposes**—Retelling stories; writing instructions; writing a letter to the current Reception children all about what it is like in Year 1.

You can help at home by:

- Accessing Numbots; reading the book bag books; practicing weekly spellings.
- Going on walks to talk about the local area. Point out building, features, signs and encourage children to describe what they see.
- Encouraging your child to spot and name animals they see and discuss their features and diets with them.
- Encourage your child to practice finding halves and quarters using real objects such as toys or food. Use everyday language to describe position and direction with your child—for example: left, right, above, below, on top, next to.
- Encouraging your children to practise writing for different purposes—for example: a letter, a postcard, a recount of an event, a list.

Important Information:

1AD PE days are Wednesday and Thursday.

1GM PE day is Thursday.

Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days.

Please ensure all clothing is named.

Book Bags: Please ensure your child reads their RWI book bag book at least **3 times per week**. This will help to support their reading fluency. Books will be sent home in book bags along with spellings every **Friday**, so please ensure book bags are returned to school by **Thursday**. You can record what and how your child has read at home in their yellow reading record.

Useful Websites:

These websites will support your child with their learning.

<https://play.numbots.com/>

Have a look at our brilliant website, where you will find other useful information and some examples of our beautiful work!

www.clapgateprimaryschool.co.uk