



Year 1 Newsletter Term 4

Welcome Back!

We hope you had a restful half term break and we hope you are ready for lots of fun-filled learning experiences this term. We are looking forward to a really exciting term with our topic on The Sea.

In English, we will explore the following texts: The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch and The Storm Whale. We will be learning to spell the days of the week and practising using the words 'and' and 'because' to join sentences. We will be describing characters using noun phrases and adjectives and will combine all of these skills to produce a newspaper report.

In the story of The Storm Whale we will be innovating the story by changing what has been washed up on the beach. We will make sure that our story has a beginning, middle and an end.

In Phonics we will be continuing to develop our phonic knowledge by consolidating Phase 5. Please support your child by continuing to practise the Phase 5 flashcards that were sent home.

In Maths, we will be exploring addition and subtraction number facts to 18. We will also be investigating length and height using non-standard measurements. Please practise counting in 1's 10's and 2's, forwards and backwards. Encourage your child to spot patterns in number sequences, they are getting very good at this!

In Science, we will be continuing to learn about animals and humans. The children will sort animals into carnivores, herbivores and omnivores and describe the structure of a variety of animals. We will then move onto naming parts of the body and looking at the skeleton and muscles.

In Geography, we will be using geographical vocabulary to compare human and physical geography.

In Art we will be looking at pointillism and will create our own artwork using the technique of painting with small dots.

PE

Cycling will remain on a Thursday. Please continue to take your child's bike to the top playground in the morning and then collect after school. Our Monday's PE session will be focussing on striking and fielding. Please ensure that your child has a labelled PE kit.

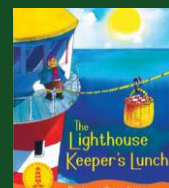
Reading

Please remember to read at least five times a week at home—this makes a significant difference to their progress across all areas of the curriculum. Please ensure that reading books and reading diaries are in school every day as children may read with an adult.

Please practise the Phonics wallet that has been sent home.

Book change: Friday for phonic book.

The children may change their reading for pleasure book daily.



Dates to remember:	
Monday 24th February - First day of Term 4.	Friday 27th March - Reports are sent home.
Wednesday 26th February—Air Ambulance Assembly	Saturday 28th March - PTA Easter Egg Hunt.
Thursday 5th March- World Book Day	Wednesday 1st April —Rock and Pop Roadshow.
Monday 9th March - Year 1 Class Assembly	Thursday 2nd April - WHF - Football festival at Ridgeway School 12.30-2.45 pm
Wednesday 18th March—Year 1 All Stars cricket session.	Friday 3rd April— Last day of Term 4
Thursday 26th March- WHF Football coaching at Ridgeway School 12.30- 2pm (Invitation only)	Happy Easter