



## Year 1 Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Parents

We welcomed the children back on Monday and enjoyed hearing all about their exciting holiday adventures. It was wonderful to see such an assortment of sports personalities yesterday and we are very grateful for all the contributions made to Special Olympics Norfolk.

In assembly this week, Mrs Harries talked about the importance of feeling needed and belonging, through the story of *Sidney the Spider*. Bird Family meetings focused on what it means to be a Barn Owl, Avocet, Kingfisher or Peregrine and children were encouraged to make a poster to illustrate this.

### Literacy

Mrs Wilson's group have been learning 'oo' (look at a book). They read a story about a Daddy who makes a mess in the kitchen. The children then made their own fruit kebab and wrote the recipe for it, using 'bossy' words. Mrs Parker's group have been learning 'ay' (may I play) and read the story 'Tug, Tug' before writing a description of a colourful fish. Mr Fisher's group learned 'oo' (poo at the zoo) and read 'Sanjay stays in bed' before writing a description of what the children like to do when they are sick. Mrs Brown's group have been learning 'ch' (chopping action) and have read a story called 'On the Bus'. The children then wrote what the characters said in speech bubbles.

### Maths

The children have been applying their number knowledge to missing number sentences. Eg.  $5 + ? = 6$ ,  $7 = 2 + ?$  They have been using Numicon and Unifix cubes to support their understanding of this tricky concept. The children also revised the meaning of the words subtraction, minus and take away. They practised writing number sentences on whiteboards. Some children played a game where they ate grapes and recorded this as a number sentence. Other children played 'Kim's Game' – a selection of objects were laid on the floor and then the teacher hid some. The children had to work out how many objects were missing and record this as a number sentence.

### Other lessons and activities

We have started reading *A King is Born*, our Christmas play for this year. We have talked about the characters and have allocated parts. We went out and enjoyed the woodland cross country route. As well as running at a consistent pace, the children enjoyed kicking the carpet of leaves and admiring the autumnal grounds. In computing, the children have been introduced to algorithms. They had to instruct 'teacherbot' to make a glass of squash with clear and concise instructions. The 'teacherbot' did everything the children instructed and, as you can imagine, the results were very funny!

**Over the weekend your child might like to:**

- Instruct 'parentbot' (give instructions to a friend or relative) to make a cup of tea/sandwich/bowl of cereal etc.
- Complete the games allocated on the activelearn website.

**Dates for your diary:**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November:** Flu immunisations for children in Reception to Year 4

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December – 4.00pm:** Christmas Fayre

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – 9.00am - 9.45am:** Year 1 Christmas Production in the Read Hall

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** 'Wear a Christmas Jumper Day' (in aid of Special Olympics Norfolk)

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – 2.00pm - 3.00pm:** Carol Service at Christchurch Eaton for Year 1 and Year 2 children

Wishing you a relaxing weekend.

With very best wishes from Mrs Brown, Mrs Parker, Mr Fisher, Mrs Wilson and Mrs Harries

*Melanie Harries*