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*We pray together. We play together. We learn together.*

# Year One Newsletter

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had a fantastic week with our afternoons spent in the garden in the sunshine!

## Literacy

This week we did lots of work about England. We have learnt about Saint George and about some significant English people who have done a lot for our country. We suggested famous people who have contributed to England in a significant way. We had a list made by Mrs Mitchell including Mo Farrah, David Beckham, The Queen, JK Rowling and we added some other people on to it like Simon Cowell, Jessica Ennis and Beth Tweddle. In our assembly we shared the person we had been learning about in our Topic lessons, William Shakespeare and told everyone some facts we had learnt about them.

## Maths

In Maths this week we are talking about measuring weight. We have measured objects from around the classroom and made guesses about what would be lightest and what would be heaviest. We ordered the objects from lightest to heaviest and then checked on the scales if we had got this correct! Our predictions were very good. We have been using weights on the balancing scales to find things that are the same weight and therefore show that they balance on the scales. This type of scales shows us visually that things that are heavy weigh one side of the side down. We learnt about recording measurements and recorded these on whiteboards to show we understood that one unit of measuring weight is kilograms and grams.

## Letters and Sounds

In Phase 5 we are revising sounds. We have revised the sounds ue, aw and the tricky words Mr, Mrs, called, asked, looked.

## Homework

For homework this week I would like you to practice number bonds to 10 and to 20 with the children in the form of a game. As an additional challenge, please create your own rainbow. Your child can put their own number at one end of the rainbow and continue to roll the dice to see if they can make that total. Does it work with one dice? What about two? Maybe you need to use 3 dice! (if you do not have dice you can get dice apps that will help with this.)

### PE Kits

Please ensure your child has a PE kit with them. We will be doing PE twice a week and children will all require pumps as we will be doing PE outside as we practice for Sports Day.

### Snack

Children are now required to bring a snack into school for morning break. We ask that this is a healthy snack and do not allow the children to bring in chocolate or sweets. Many thanks.

### Golden Time

Children will now have Golden Time on a Friday afternoon. Children are allowed to bring something in on a Friday for this time however please can I ask that no electronic devices are brought in (e.g tablets, Nintendo DS etc).

Children will earn Golden Time minutes throughout the week by following the school rules. If children receive a yellow card they will have 5 minutes taken off their Golden Time. If they receive a red card they will have 15 minutes taken off their Golden Time.

### Diary Dates

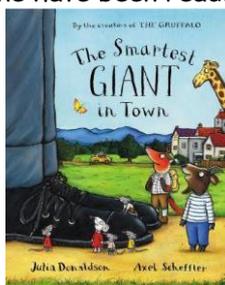
The Gruffalo's Child trip - 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Mitchell, Miss Cook ☺

## We love to read!

Year One have been reading:



Mrs Mitchell is currently reading:



## What are you reading at home?