



# KS1 Parent Newsletter

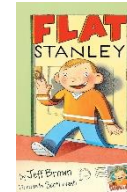


## KEY LEARNING THIS HALF TERM

This half term we will be completing a range of different experiments to find out what a plant needs to be healthy and grow. We will explore how a seed grows into a plant and how they have adapted to survive in different environments. In Geography we will take a deeper look into the continents and oceans of the world. We will explore the human and physical features of these continents and look at the similarities and differences.

Children will be moving into their new RWI groups this half term. They will be changing their RWI books every 3 days and changing their library books every Friday. Please ensure your child is bringing their reading books/library books back to school on these days so they can be changed.

## WRITING



During our writing sessions we will be exploring a range of different writing genres. We will start by writing instructions based on our personal experiences of making a pitta pizza in design technology. Within this we will learn how to use imperative verbs to give somebody clear instructions to complete the task. We will then explore writing our own poems about Summer. To finish this half term, we will use the text 'Flat Stanley' to write stories about his different adventures all over the world. We will continue to focus on punctuating our sentences correcting, using adjectives and a range of conjunctions to join sentences.

## MATHS

We will be starting our topic of multiplication and division. Within this we will look at equal groups and how we can use arrays and our 10s, 5s and 2 timetables to help us find a total. We will explore how we can share a total when dividing, focusing on equal groups.

2 rows



4 columns

2 x 4 = 8

8 apples

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP AT HOME

One of the best ways to support your child at home is to share a book together every night. Talk about the pictures, the characters, the events and the setting. Discuss the vocabulary and make predictions about what might happen next.

We will send weekly spellings home for you to practise with your child. Your child may not be able to use their phonics to spell these words correctly as they are high frequency words.

We will post on class dojo with updates on our learning, take the time to talk together about this and engage with our posts. **Spellings and home learning will now be posted on dojo so please make sure you are connected with your child's class.**



## MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Our PSHCE focus this half term will be around safety. As part of this will, we will cover how to be safe on the internet and what to do if they are unsure if something is safe. As children have more access to technology, please can you discuss this at home to support your child's understanding.

If you are struggling with any aspect of school or would like any help, advice or just a chat please speak to your child's teacher, Miss Bartle (Assistant Headteacher) or Mrs Stringwell (Learning Mentor). We are all more than happy to help.

### School Value

This half term our school value will be 'Co-operation'  
This will link with our three R - **Respect**

We will be exploring how co-operating with people can help us. We will look at the different ways that we can be co-operative and how to resolve scenarios when somebody is not wanting to be co-operative.

## EVENTS IN SCHOOL/KEY DATES FOR KS1

Our Year 1 children will be completing their Phonics Screening Check next half term. This will include any Year 2 children that need to resit their Phonics Screening Check. Last half term, reading materials were sent home that could support your child with this check at home. If you have any questions of how to use these materials please get in touch with Miss Vollands.

