Year 1-Week commencing 29.09.25

Outlined below is this week's working focus for the children and handy hints to help you support your child at home.

This week we will be continuing to focus on settling the children into the Key Stage 1 structure and timetable. We will also be discussing the high expectations for the children's behaviour and their work, as well as continuing to get to know each other.

Maths

This week we will be counting and comparing numbers. We will match different values to numerals, pictures and amounts of objects. We will compare different amounts, identifying and discussing who has more and less. We will also look at finding 1 more and 1 less than a given number. We will finish by comparing different numbers using tens frames, counters and bar models discussing the parts and whole.

What can you do to help your child?

- Match numbers to objects around the house.
- Discuss the value of different numbers using the language more, less, bigger, smaller, fewer, most, least etc.
- Say 1 more than and 1 less than a given number.

English

This week we will be reading "Small Knight and George" by Ronda Armitage and Arthur Robins. We are going to be focussing on identifying complete and incomplete sentences by looking at what a sentence needs to make sense and discussing correct punctuation. We will then read and write different sentences to check they make sense and finish the week by creating our own fantasy best friend, who we will write about using descriptive language.

In phonics we will be starting phase 5 and looking at the following sounds:

- -ay in play
- -ou in cloud
- -oy in toy
- -ea in each

and tricky words:

- said, says, you, do, like, little, push, put, pull, full

What can you do to help your child?

- Read the library book together.
- Discuss the books you have read with your child.
- Try to include reading information (non-fiction) books where possible.
- Read and write words and sentences containing the relevant phonic sounds.

- Practise forming letters correctly and writing simple words and phrases.
- Practise writing simple sentences using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.
- Practise sequencing the main events in a story you have read together.
- Practise describing the characters in a story.
- Read a range of poetry.

History & Science

This half term's topic is 'Castles'. This week we will be learning all about William the Conqueror and why he was so significant in history.

We will also be looking at materials and will discuss the materials that a variety objects are made from and if they all look the same. We will find the difference between actual objects and the materials that they are made from.

Reminder

Please ensure your child has <u>all</u> the right PE kit for their lesson and that <u>everything</u> is labelled. They may be completing their PE lessons outside, therefore they will need: **PE trainers**, shorts, white t-shirt and a navy tracksuit.

Friday 3rd October is Harvest Non-Uniform Day - please bring a can, bottle or packet to help us support the Broxbourne Food Bank. Thank you!

Have a wonderful week! Miss Bates & Miss Page