



Year 1 Newsletter

Summer term



Welcome back to our Year 1 families! We hope you have enjoyed a wonderful Spring break and that you are returning to school feeling energetic and full of enthusiasm. This newsletter outlines all the exciting things we have planned for Summer term and all the important information, dates and reminders needed for the coming weeks in Year 1.

Staffing

Year 1 lead- Mrs Hall

Reg 1 Mrs Nicklin, Mrs Griffiths and Mrs Brereton

Reg 2 Mrs Chilton and Miss Sharrat

Reg 3 Miss Johnson and Miss Lavender

Any questions/queries- please email

Year1Parents@eastparkacademy.com

PE

We have PE **every TUESDAY for REG 2 AND 3 and FRIDAY for REG 1** afternoon. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit and is not wearing jewellery on this day. If you are unsure of the appropriate P.E kit, please see our school website or speak to your child's class teacher.



Reading



We encourage all of our children to read as frequently as possible at home. It is important that children are supported with their reading as much as possible. Ideally, we would like to see children reading at least 2-3 times per week with an adult at home.



Interesting fact - A child who reads for 20 minutes per day will read for 3,600 minutes every school year. Which is 1,800,000 words per year.

They will also:

- be lifelong readers.
- have doors to amazing careers opened
- build a diverse vocabulary and strengthen fluency in reading
- not be 'afraid' of reading in school
- have the tools to become successful students
- score highest on their assessments.

Homework

Every week, alongside reading, Year1 children will be asked to learn 5-10 spellings.

Spellings will be in children's planners on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday.

Numbots followed by Timetables Rockstar on competition of Numbots, will be encouraged by your child's class teacher.

homework



Reminders

Please remember that children need to bring their own water bottles into school; please try to encourage water alone. Planners in school every Friday and spelling homework to be handed in every Friday.

Star and learner awards



Every Friday there will be a praise assembly to celebrate 1 star and 1 learner from each class. If your child has been selected to receive either award, you will be invited to come along and celebrate their success. Please look out for invites on Bromcom.



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English/Phonics

This term in English, we will be focusing on a Roald Dahl classic, *Fantastic Mr Fox*. The children will continue to apply their use of phonics to support them with writing full sentences. The children will then work towards applying their sentence writing skills to other genres such as letters and diary entries.



Maths

During the Summer Term, the children will be looking at place value to 100. They will rehearse place value in 2-digit numbers, identify 10s and 1s, and find 1/10 more/less than a given number. They will continue to practise the instant recall of number bonds to 10 and doubles/halves of numbers. They will work with coins and practise adding amounts and recognise equivalent values. Fractions will be introduced and children will be encouraged to develop their multiplication knowledge linked to counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. They will learn to tell the time to half hour and quarter hour on an analogue clock. They will then move on to using their knowledge of counting in 2's, 5's and 10's to solve multiplication and division problems..

Curious Curriculum



Our Curriculum topic this term will focus on Nurturing Nurses. The children will look at two nurses from the past who made a significance to nursing - Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. They will learn all about their lives and how they 'broke the mould' and made significant changes to nursing. The children will then move on to research the role and importance on nurses today. They will then move on to compare how nursing has changed and developed from the past to present day.



RE

During the Summer term, we will be focusing more on the religions of Christianity and Islam. The children will revisit the sacred texts of Christianity and Islam and will discover why these books are important and matter most in these religions. They will learn stories and parables from each religion and discuss what they mean. The children will also learn why these stories and parables are of such importance to Christians and Muslims.



PE

This half term, the children will be developing their athletic and team building skills. They will begin to learn how to run at different speeds over distance and how to throw over distance using control and coordination.



Music

This half term in music, we will continue to develop of singing skills which includes how we stand when singing and performing and using our singing voices to perform a range of different songs. In our music lessons, we will continue to develop our singing as well as developing our skills around playing the glockenspiel.



Computing

During the Summer term, the children will be learning how to follow and create simple instructions on the computer. They will know that correcting errors in an algorithm or program is called 'debugging' and will understand how to create and debug a set of instructions (algorithm).



Science.

The children will be learning about plants during the first half of the term. They will identify plants in the local environment and name the main parts. They will learn about trees and be introduced to the terms 'evergreen' and 'deciduous'.

