

St Mark's CE Primary School

'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'

Year 1 Newsletter

Summer 2



Our geography question for this half term is

Continents and oceans – what can we find out about the world?

We will be learning about our world and finding out that it is made up of land and oceans, what a river is and what a mountain is. By the end of the topic, your child should be able to name the 7 continents and the 5 oceans.

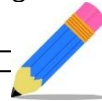
English

We will be looking at the traditional story of the 3 Billy Goats Gruff.

As a class, we will think about the meaning of the story and will continue to improve our story telling skills by using exclamation marks and question marks.

We will still be encouraging the children to use their knowledge of phonics and alternative spelling choices to spell words more accurately.

There will also be a big focus on phonics in preparation for the Phonic screen test during the week of the **8th June 2025**.



Maths

Over the next half term, we will be thinking about time, money, volume and capacity, comparing the mass of objects and describing positions and movements and making turns. We will then be recapping our numbers to 100 to finish the year.

DT

Our focus during DT Week will be to build a bridge which can hold all 3 Billy Goats. We will need to think about how we can join materials and how we can make the bridge both strong and long enough to cross the river.

Reading

Thank you to those parents who always listen to their children read every night at home. You are really helping your child to develop their fluency and confidence.

The children will be sitting their Year 1 Phonics Screen at the beginning of June and to give your child the best chance of passing, it is imperative that you practice reading every single day. As well as reading their reading books please try to read unfamiliar words such as signs, posters, magazines etc.

If your child reads at least 4 times a week then they will be entered into a prize draw to win a brand-new book and if they read 5 times they get extra Dojos!

Science

For our Science topic, we will continue to look at plants.

We will be thinking about different types of trees and plants that grow in our local area.

Perhaps you could have a go at growing a plant yourselves at home.



P.E.

In PE, the children will be doing Athletics with a focus on throwing, running and jumping.

PE will be on a Monday for both 1H & 1W

Please make sure that the children come to school in the correct PE kit.

