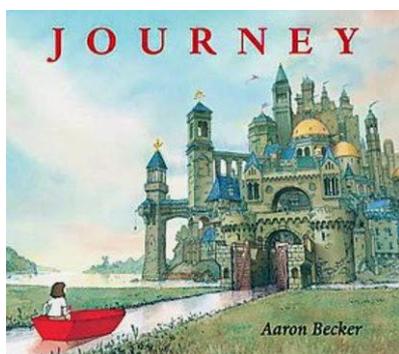


Class 1 curriculum Newsletter January 2019.

Welcome back after a lovely Christmas Holiday. I hope you all had a lovely family time and that the children are excited about being back at school. It's going to be a busy term with lots of learning and activities. I am hoping to organise a class 1 visit to the life boat station at Appledore after the half term holiday but will let you know more about this in a separate letter nearer the time.

Our topic this term is called Journeys and we will be looking at where we live in the UK, how we can get around the country and journeys that we can go on in our imagination. We will also be looking at Pilgrimages in RE and basing our writing tasks on a book called Journey by Aaron Becker.



The children will be looking at writing stories, diaries, postcards and newspaper reports and we will be lining the ideas to our art and DT. We will then be looking at information books on transport and writing fact files and thinking about the types of journey that we can make.

Our maths this term will be focussing on numbers up to 100 and on counting in groups of 2's, 5's and 10's. This will then link to multiplication and division for year 2 children. Please help all class 1 children to learn their 2,5 and 10 times tables. For clarification when we teach times tables we say that

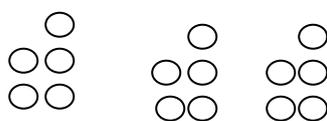
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There are some great games on Mathletics which support learning times tables and tables practise. Please let me know if you need a reminder of your child's log in. We will also look at shape and data handling linked to our topic.

In science we will be learning about the seasons in the first half term, and then we will be learning about animal life cycles. I am hoping to be able to have some more butterfly eggs and watch them develop into caterpillars and butterflies after half term. We will then release them into our garden area.

P.E.

Please can children have their full kit in school every day this term. We will be doing gymnastics on Fridays (for which the children need a full change of kit) if the children are in the teams, and we will also be learning some gymnastics skills in general P.E lessons. We will be flexible about the day we do our whole class P.E. as Mrs Wilson has a few days when she is on a course. If Mrs Wilson is not here Mrs Mayhew will be continuing with the P.E curriculum for class 1 and this will be outside if the weather is dry or in the yurt if it is wet, or if we are teaching gymnastics. Please make sure that children have warm clothes for the occasions for when we will be outside.

Class 1 will have forest school after half term and this will probably be on a Wednesday afternoon. Look out for updates on the weekly newsletter.

In Computer studies we will be using the beebot to programme commands and we will be reminding children about internet safety. We will also be using the ipad to record music made to describe a journey that the children have created in art.

Mrs Recycle will be in school to make a mural using old plastic bottle tops so please keep collecting those until the last week in January when we will be constructing the mural as a whole school project.

Thanks you all for your continuing support. We look forward to a busy happy term of learning. Kind Regards,

Kate Slocombe and Amanda Mayhew. Class 1 team.