



Year 1's CHIRP



Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been a very busy first three weeks in Year One this half term. It has been lovely to see so many children make good progress in their learning. Excitement is building as we prepare for our Nativity performance and the children are already showing great enthusiasm. We are very much looking forward to embracing the festive spirit together throughout December.

Warm regards,
The Year One Team

Year 1's learning

Over the next few weeks we will be exploring...

English - We will continue to explore basic punctuation to ensure children are fully secure with this before the Spring term. We have slowly introduced adjectives this half term and many children are already putting these in their writing.

Design Technology - Over the next few weeks we will begin to design, make and evaluate festive pictures with moving parts.

Maths - This half term we have explored measurement and have moved on to counting and number recognition. Lots of practise of counting to 20 and recognising those numbers (not in a set order) will support your child with this. Here is a link to the 100 square online game which will make it fun for children to explore at home -
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/paint-the-squares>

Geography - We have worked hard at ensuring we understand the differences between human and physical features in the environment. Over the next few weeks, we will begin to explore maps and the children will get the chance to create their own maps of their local area and beyond!

Supporting your child

Reading - Tricky words continue to be a big focus. Before Christmas, we will explore the first set of tricky words with each of the children and will send home the words that children are struggling to read.

Collins Hub - A huge thank you to those of you that have logged onto the Collins e-hub to read at home. We have seen a huge uplift in confidence and progress in the children that are using this.

Handwriting - Like the Collins Hub, many children are practising their letter formation at home, which is supporting their handwriting at school. Please remember to ensure your child is starting their letters at the correct starting point, especially with the coat hanger family of letters (a, c, d, g, o, q)

Donations

To complement our Geography topic, if you have any old maps or atlases at home that you no longer need, we would love to have these at school so the children get first-hand experience in using and exploring these.