



Year 1's CHIRP



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely Easter break. We're looking forward to a fantastic half term! This half term will have lots of brand-new learning. In Art, children will explore drawing techniques and colour mixing through painting; in History, they will learn about the Moon Landing; and in Design and Technology, they will create functioning windmills.

Warm regards,
Year 1 team

Year 1's learning

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

English - This half term we will be ensuring that all of the basics of year 1 writing (letter formation, punctuation and simple grammar) are in place, ready for year 2. The children will also explore the prefix 'un'.

Maths - This half term we are exploring the composition of numbers from 11-19. We will be exploring their value, tens and ones, doubles and halves. We will also link prior addition and subtraction facts with these bigger numbers.

Music - This half term the children will get the opportunity to explore a Ghanaian traditional song (the Kye Kye Kule). The children have already been introduced to the song and have enjoyed singing in a different language. The link for the song is here if you wish to explore this at home -

<https://youtu.be/XuOCaOFumNs?si=hNRSgch4WcAIH9yT>

Computing - The children will continue to explore how to use the paint program to create simple pictures, shapes and patterns. If you have a laptop at home, please try to explore this with your child so they get used to using a track pad as a mouse, as this was a barrier for some children in the Spring term.

Supporting your child

A quick reminder that children need to come to school with their P.E. kits on Mondays and Tuesdays. We have noticed that an increasing number of children are missing parts of their kit, or do not have one at all, which prevents them from taking part in lessons. If your child has borrowed any spare P.E. kit, please ensure it is returned. We also recommend checking that P.E. shoes still fit, as some children have outgrown them.

A gentle reminder to continue to access the Collins Hub when reading with your child at home. We have one term left in year one and we have seen that children who access their Collins Hub books are becoming more fluent and confident during our reading sessions. This will also support your child when taking the phonics screening test in June.

Donations

Thank you again for all of the brilliant donations that we received in the Spring term.

This half term, we have a big focus on space. If you have any items related to space at home (toys, books, etc) we would appreciate children bringing them in to share with the class.