Year 1's CHIRP

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Dear Parents and Carers,
Your children have continued to work hard during the first part of our Autumn term. Over the past two weeks we have identified and named parts of the body in Science, our own personal histories and we have been developing our printing skills in art. We had a lovely Harvest day and thoroughly enjoyed designing, making and eating our fruit salads.
We are embodying our STAR values (Safety, Teamwork, Achievement and Respectfulness) in everything that we are doing, and the children are really showing great progress in these areas!

Year 1's learning

Over the final week

English - We will be exploring a text around 'Toys from the past' to support our History topic. Children will continue to try to apply capital letters, finger spaces and full stops more consistently.

Handwriting - Our daily handwriting lessons are supporting the children with their handwriting progression. Please refer to the handwriting sheet we will give to you at parents evening if you wish to practise these skills with your child.

Maths - We have moved on to exploring counting forwards and backwards to 20 and counting in multiples of 10. Lots of practical work (counting objects, etc) can support your child with this.

History - Your child will be sent home with a 'Toys from my family' worksheet this week. Please complete this and send back to school by Monday 2nd November so we can share these in our final History lesson of this topic.

PSHE - As part of our PSHE curriculum, Year 1 children will take part in the NSPCC PANTS lesson. This age-appropriate session helps children understand personal safety, body boundaries, privacy, and how to identify trusted adults they can talk to if they feel worried or unsafe. The lesson will be delivered in a sensitive and child-friendly manner, using materials produced by the NSPCC. Feel free to have a look at the link to the session at Talk PANTS: Conversation to help keep children safe | NSPCC. If you have any concerns please speak to the class teacher.

Supporting your child

Reading - Thank you to those parents that are accessing The Collins Hub. It is important your child accesses their online book weekly as it is tailored to their phonics ability.

Maths - By the end of year one, children need to be able to form their numbers 0-9 correctly. Some extra practise at home will really support those children that are struggling to write these correctly.

Geography - Next half term we will be exploring our local area (Kimberley). Whilst out for walks during half term, take time to mention key locations like churches, parks etc. This will support the children when they come to map their local area.

Donations

If you have any unwanted maps or map books we would love to use them during next half term.