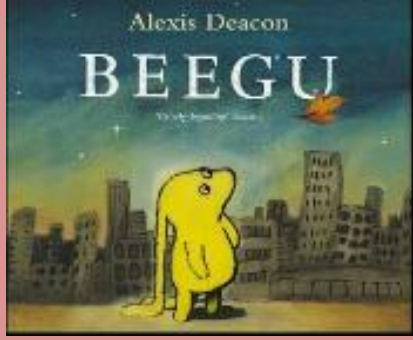


Newsletter

Year One Term 1



English

This term the children will be learning about nouns and verbs through exploring quality texts. We will be starting the term reading 'The Smartest Giant in Town', then 'Beegu', along with other books. They will have the opportunity to talk about the stories, verbally retell, using role play and story maps to help them. As a class, they will learn how to build a sentence during whole class English input.

Handwriting is a key focus during English lessons. Each week the children will be taught a small group of letters. Pencil grip, sitting position and where to start and end the letters will be taught in small adult supported groups. As well as this, a range of own learning activities will support them with their fine and gross motor skills, such as cutting, pencil control, building, threading, and junk modelling.

Please listen to your child read their school book every day and record all reading in their Learning Journals. The children enjoy our daily story time in class and it is important that they also have the opportunity to share books at home. We read a class text every week during our guided reading lessons, where they practise listening, blending, echo and choral reading.

In Phonics, we are continuing to use the Sounds Write approach to support the children with their learning. The first week of term one, we will be recapping the sounds from the last term in reception. For many children, this will be reflected in their reading book. We will then start to introduce new sounds and spellings.

Week 2 & 3: 'ea' sound with spellings ay, ai, ea, a
Week 4 & 5: 'ee' sound with spellings e, ea, ee, y, ie
Week 6 & 7: 'oe' sound with spellings oa, ow, o, oe

History



In our History topic this term, we will be learning about ways in which the past was different to present times. We will explore this similarities and differences by looking at the way in which schools have changed over the last 100 years.

DT

In Design Technology, pupils will be learning all about healthy eating and where our food comes from. They will have the opportunity to explore the tastes and textures of fruits and vegetables, before designing and making a fruit plate.



Dates for the diary

Thursday 10th September – Year One meet the teacher 3:20-3:45pm in Rye and Hever Classrooms

Tuesday 6th October – Sibling and individual photos

Friday 9th October - Flu immunisations

Maths

In Term 1, we will be learning how to compare quantities and measures. We will explore ways to compare objects using their length, height, size and weight, and will use mathematical language such as longer, shorter, taller, smaller, bigger, heavier and lighter. We will also compare groups of objects, learning to identify when there are more, fewer or the same number. We will begin to use the mathematical symbols <, > and = to compare numbers and quantities.



Science



This term Year 1 will be learning about the human body. We will start by naming body parts, before moving on to an exploration of the senses. Children will experiment find out which body part facilitates each sense. They will then deepen their understanding through investigation.

RE

Our Religious Education this term will explore Christianity. Children will be given an introduction to Christian beliefs and look at the symbols used to represent God. They will also learn about the life of Jesus through bible stories and parables.



PE Days

Rye Class
Tuesdays and Fridays

Hever Class
Wednesday and Thursday

