

Key Stage 1 Phase Newsletter: Autumn Term 1 Dringhouses Discovery Curriculum - What we will be learning about in Autumn 1.

In Autumn term 1, our learning project is called, 'Who are You?' During this time we will have a PHSE focus and will be thinking about the key question 'What is a respectful and safe relationship?' We will learn about families and friendships, safe relationships and respecting ourselves and others.

Things you need to know.

Show and Tell:

On the first Friday back, please could each child bring in an object that is special to them ready for show and tell. We will be discussing what the object is and why it is so special. We can't wait to see what you bring.

Reading books: Please read your child's reading book with them as often as possible, ideally daily, as this is really important for their learning. Books are changed regularly. As well as the reading the children will do at home, we have class story time each day and will visit the school library once a week.

Summer Holidays Reading

Studies show that reading for pleasure makes a big difference to children's educational performance. It helps develop a broader vocabulary and increases general knowledge. In fact, reading for pleasure is more likely to determine whether a child does well at school than their social or economic background. With this in mind, where possible, please continue to read and enjoy books with your child over the summer. There is a summer reading challenge at the library that they can get involved in too. We look forward to hearing about what they have read in September.

Maths

Again, if you have a five minutes here and a five minutes there over the summer, please practise counting with your child. They can chant numbers (forwards and backwards) in fun ways using silly voices for example. Asking questions such as, 'What is one more or one less?' will also help along with learning their number bonds.

Key days and phase dates.

PE:

KS1 will have PE on a **Tuesday**. Please come dressed in the correct PE kit that day. Please ensure that your child's PE kit and uniform is clearly named.

Our Learning Project Landing Event:

We would like to invite parents/carers to join us to celebrate the end of our topic and to look at the childrens' work at the end of Autumn term 1. During this time, we will also perform a poem for you.

Date to be confirmed.

Library Days:

Class 3 - Friday

Class 4 - Wednesday

Class 5 - Thursday

Help needed:

If anyone has any capacity to listen to readers from 8.35am - 9am in September, please see your child's class teacher when we return to school. Many thanks

Information / Dates for the School

Special mention: This happens **every Friday at 2.40pm**. If your child is nominated, you will find out on the Monday before the assembly via an email.

Monday 2nd September - Staff training day (school closed)

Tuesday 3rd September - Staff training day (school closed)

Wednesday 4th September - School opens for Autumn term

Wednesday 16th October - Harvest Service at St Edward's Church

End of the day on Friday 25th October - School closes for October half term Monday 4th November - School reopens for Autumn Term 2