

**School starts at 8.55 am**  
**Please make sure your child is here on time to experience all our inspirational learning!**  
**Doors open at 8.45am**

**1D-** Mrs Doherty  
**1W-** Mrs Ward  
Teaching assistants- Mrs Mitchell, Miss Smith, Miss Ryan and Mrs Baxter

In Year 1 we are going to be **AMAZING** in everything we do!



## Enjoy, Learn, Succeed

### English



Year One are learning all about instructions. They are reading instructions, following them and then writing their own instructions. The children have been thinking about 'Bossy Words' such as put, cut, stick and run which they can use in their work. They will also be learning about time connectives such as 'first, next, then, after that and finally'. On a daily basis, children will be practising their letter formation and encouraged to meet challenges set in the writing area.

### Maths

In maths we will be teaching the children addition and subtraction. They will be continuing to use a range of representations including part/whole models and tens frames to assist them with their calculations. They will be writing mathematical sentences and comparing calculations and quantities using the  $=$   $<$  and  $>$  symbols. The children will complete daily challenges and develop their reasoning skills. They will also be practising their number formation.



### Learning Challenge

In our investigation area the children will be finding out about shadows and how they are made. They will then be designing a shadow puppet theatre which they will create using a large cardboard box. The children will be developing their cutting skills and practising these in provision. The children will then use their theatres and puppets to put on a performance for their peers. They will evaluate their product and discuss what went well and what could be improved.

### Music

Year 1 will be listening to and learning to sing a variety of songs.



### Building Learning Power

This half term the children will be concentrating on developing their creativity. The children will be encouraged to think of their own ideas and with growing confidence share them with others.

### P.E

In P.E we will be developing four skill areas: agility, balance, catching and throwing. The children will work independently, with partners and as part of a team to play games that will develop these skills.

P.E. is on Friday. Please make sure your child has all their P.E. kit in school, clearly labelled.

### R.E

*In R.E we are thinking about friendship- was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?*

### PSHCE

In PSHCE we will be participating in circle time activities. The children will be building on their knowledge of feelings. We will look at strategies on how to manage our feelings then respond appropriately to others.



### Helping at Home

PLEASE read with your child every day, taking time to discuss pictures and the story and add a comment in their reading record. At the back of your child's book there are example questions and activities you can do with your child which will help to embed their understanding of the text. We will also be commenting when we read with your child.



### Homework

Please help your child to learn the spellings in their book. They will be tested on four a week and need their spelling book in school every Monday.  
In maths please practise number bonds to 10 and then 20, writing number in order to 20 and then 50.

### Dates for your diary

