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# Summer 2023 1st Half Term- Year 1

We hope you all had an enjoyable Easter term break. We are eager to welcome the children back into the classrooms. This half term will be filled with more fun, we will enjoy another Art week and we will be introducing our new topic on 'We Live in Royal Windsor.' We will also be celebrating to Coronation and will have a week filled with exciting activities and lots of learning about the history of coronations in the past.

PE days: Hazel: Monday and Wednesday Chestnut: Monday and Wednesday Alder: Monday and Wednesday

# **English**

# **★** Sentence writing:

This term we will continue to use what the children are learning in phonics in their writing lessons. We will be increasing the expectation of their writing and encouraging the children to start to link their sentences together. We will be reading the text 'Lupo and the Secret of Windsor Castle' and focusing on nonfiction texts.

Reading: The children will continue to read regularly in school during phonics lessons and guided reading sessions. Please continue to read with your child 4 times a week at home. They are making such good progress as a result of reading regularly.

- ★ Phonics: This term the children will learn the final few sounds for Year 1 and will be doing lots of blending of real and alien words in order to be ready for the Phonics Screen Check in June.
- ★ **Spelling:** We will continue to have weekly spelling quizzes.

### Maths

# **★** Fractions

Before half term the children will begin to learn about fractions. This follows on nicely from division as they are still learning to share equally. In Year 1 children are expected to know halves and quarters of shapes, sets of objects and numbers.

### **★** Time

This term we will be teaching the children how to tell the time. They need to have a broader understanding of time, including how many days there are in a week / year and will also need to be able to read an analogue clock. We will be introducing them to reading 'o'clock' and 'half past' times. Please encourage the children to have a go at reading clocks at home to consolidate this learning.

## **★** Money

Recognising and naming the different coins/notes. Ordering them based on their values.

# **Foundation Subject focus areas**

# **★** History:

Significant individuals who have shaped the Royal Family including William the Conqueror and King Charles.

# **★** Computing:

Programming

★ RE:

Islam

★ PE:

**Athletics** 

**★ PSHE:** 

Similarities and differences

**★** Art Week focus:

The Coronation – paper craft

**★** Science:

Living things and their habitats

**★** Music:

Folk songs of the British Isles

**★** French:

Food and eating out

Foundation Subject *big questions* can be found on the school website.

# Team Enchantment reminders for this half term

- ★ Please ensure your child's uniform is clearly labelled, it is much easier to return lost items if they are named. This includes school water bottles which every child is required to have in school daily.
- ★ Please make sure that your child's blue spellings book is in their book bag every day. This means that they are able to write new spellings in to practise at home which will help them to be successful in quizzes.
- ★ Reminder that we have our Phonics Fun sessions every Friday at drop off time until 8:55.
- ★ Song Celebration: 6pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April children should be in school by 5:45pm Please wear full school uniform. Family picnic from 5pm
- ★ The School Book Fair will be taking place 2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> May.
- ★ Coronation celebration: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May dress up as royalty or wear red/white/blue

Many thanks for your support

Miss Wright, Miss Browne and Miss Kearley