

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope everyone had a good Easter break and are ready for the term ahead. We thought it would be good to let you know about a few things we will be doing this half term and hope the information will be helpful.

Big Idea

This half term, our Big Idea is all about being a wildlife explorer. The children will be learning how to be explorers through Forest School and drama sessions. They will also be designing and making equipment an explorer would use and finding about different types of animals.

English

In English, the children will be learning about how to use a question mark to punctuate sentences and will have lots of opportunities to write their own questions.

Phonics

In Phonics, the children will continue to learn about alternative ways of pronouncing graphemes and reading words with more than one syllable as well as continuing to read and spell words containing the graphemes they know.

Maths

In Maths, the children will be learning to recognise and describe 3D shapes. They will also be working with numbers up to 100 finding one more and one less and using mathematical symbols to compare them.

P.E.

This half term, the children will be working on netball skills, learning to pass the ball in different ways and playing simple games. They will also learn how to play beanbag rounders which will involve practising and developing their throwing and catching skills.

Reading

Children will continue to choose a book to bring home each Thursday. Books still need to be returned on a Monday to allow them to be quarantined. We actively encourage children to read additional material at home from their own book collections or by using online books e.g. from the Oxford Owl eBook library:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>

Helping Your Child at Home

We intend to send some Home Learning tasks to you very soon. However, there are a number of activities you can do at home to help your child with their learning. These can be found on the school website on the News/Year 1 page:

<https://www.knavesmireprimary.co.uk/news/year-1>

If you have any questions please email the school office who will forward them to us.

Best wishes,

The Year One team

