Livingstone Road
Year 1 - Autumn 2

Livingstone Road Primary Federation

Together We Can
Learn Laugh Dream Grow

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Year 1! We hope you all had a wonderful half term break. All of the children made a great start to Year 1 last half term, and we cannot wait for all of the exciting learning opportunities that this half term will bring.

We will be spending some time settling back into our school routine, and we will also be sharing more about our school values and what makes you a unique and special member of our class.

Our Year 1 Team:

- **Hazel** – Mrs Allen and Mrs Christopher
- **Willow** – Miss Alton and Miss Neal

English – Reading & Writing

In Reading this half term, we will be exploring a variety of different fiction and non-fiction books about animals.

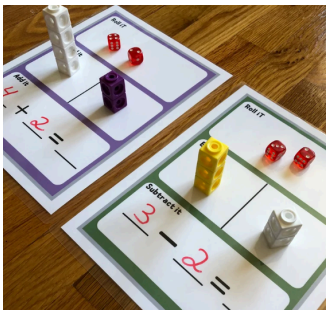


Our Writing focus will be ‘all about animals’. We will be continuing to develop our use of capital letters and spaces between words when writing, and build confidence to write sentences more independently. The children have been working incredibly hard in their writing and we look forward to seeing what they write about next!

Maths

We will begin the second half term by concluding our Place value (within 10) unit. We will be focusing on comparing and ordering numbers, as well as exploring number lines.

Next, we will begin our Addition and Subtraction (within 10) learning journey. We will be exploring a range of different strategies to solve fluency, reasoning and problem-solving questions. We will build on our fluency by learning number bonds to 10, and explore the relationship between addition and subtraction number facts.

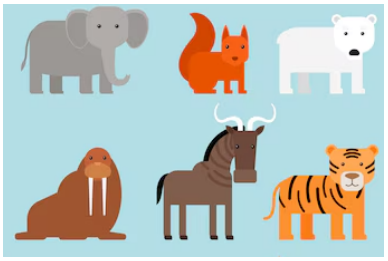


As we move into Autumn 2, we will take part in daily NumberSense sessions to support number fluency. This will help the children to learn key facts that they can apply to all areas of maths.

Wider Curriculum

Here is a look at what we will be exploring across other subjects this half term:

Science



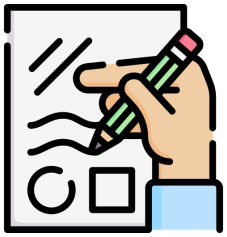
We will be learning about **animals, including humans**. We will be investigating the features of fish, amphibians, mammals, reptiles and birds. We will be using our working scientifically skills to compare these types of animals and sort them into groups.

Geography

We will be exploring the location of the **United Kingdom** on a map and a globe. We will be learning about the names of the countries and their capital cities, as well as their features.



Art



We will be exploring line and shape through **drawing**. We will be learning about Piet Mondrian, Bridget Riley and Paul Klee, and create our own artwork inspired by their techniques.

PE

We will be focusing on **Sending & Receiving** and **Team Building** this half term. Our PE days are **Thursday and Friday**. Please ensure children come to school in their PE kit on these days.



RE



We will be exploring the **Creation Story** according to the **Christian faith**. We will be looking at their beliefs in God and the events of the seven days of creation.

RHE

We will be thinking deeper about the **relationships** we have with people around us. We will be exploring what makes us special and unique, as well as how we can recognise when others are feeling lonely. We will look at how we make friends, and continue our learning of the safety curriculum.



Music



Our music learning will be focused around two songs: Rhythm In The Way We Walk (Reggae style) and Banana Rap (Hip Hop style). The children will Listen & Appraise other styles of music and continue to embed the interrelated dimensions of music through games and singing.

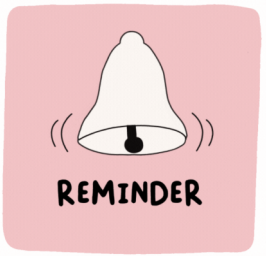
Reminders

Home reading



Please aim to read with your child at least 3 times a week and log it in their reading record. The class with the most children reading at least 3 times will get to have the reading cup for the week. Let's show off our amazing reading!

Key dates



Tuesday 10th November: Creature Teachers visit

Tuesday 17th November: Book cafe in the Infant School Hall - 2:30-3:00pm

Tuesday 15th December: Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance - 9:15-10:15am and 2:00-3:00pm.