

Year 1 Newsletter Spring Term 2 2022

We hope you have all had a lovely half term break. We are now half way through the school year and have already seen some fabulous progress from the children. We have lots of exciting new topics to look forward to this half term including the Great Fire of London and materials. We will be investigating different materials to keep the big bad wolf away! Mrs White and Mrs Wilson will continue to support in Year 1 throughout the week. If you have any questions you can always send us a message on Class Dojo. Please allow staff time to respond to any messages as it is not always possible to reply immediately. Thank you for your continuous support
Mrs Marshall and Mrs Fairhurst



English

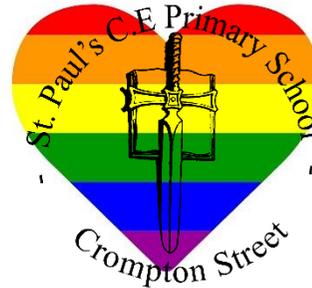
This half term we will be reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts based upon homes and habitats. Texts will include The Three Little Pigs and Bog Baby. We will be building lots of different houses using various materials and construction kits. **Phonics** - We will continue to focus on applying our Phase 5 phonics skills when reading and writing. We are really impressed with the children's phonics skills as they are now beginning to confidently apply this to their independent reading and writing.

Maths

In Maths we will be doing weekly arithmetic practise and daily counting activities in 2s, 5s and 10s. Our main focus this term is measurement. We will be having lots of fun using practical equipment to solve problems and compare and measure length, height, weight, mass and capacity.

P.E

Year 1 will continue to have PE on Wednesday and Thursday. Children need to have a PE kit in school consisting of a red PE t-shirt, black shorts and pumps. Children can bring long jogging bottoms and a jumper for outdoor PE.



RE

This half term our topic will be **Easter** - celebrating new life and new beginnings. We will explore new life during Spring time and how Christians celebrate Easter.



Science

This half term our topic question is: **What materials could we use to make Callum's new house?** We will be exploring properties of different materials and investigating which are waterproof and which are transparent. We will be reading The Three Little Pigs and Callum's Incredible Construction Kit as part of our materials topic.



Reading Books



Reading as regularly as possible to an adult can really help your child progress. We would like to see your child read a minimum of FOUR times a week. Once they have read to an adult, the adult should sign their reading record. Reading books are changed every Monday. The children are really enjoying Phonics and Guided Reading sessions in class each day.

Homework

Homework is set every Friday and should be returned by **Wednesday**. Please encourage your child to complete their homework to a high standard every week.

Things to remember:

- Water bottle
- Reading books everyday
- Homework to hand in on/before Wednesday each week

Learning Challenge

This half term our topic question is: **How did the Great Fire change London?** We will be finding out where the fire started, what happened whilst the fire was burning and what impact it had on London.

