

## Year 1 Newsletter Summer Term 2 2022

Welcome back! As we enter the final half-term of the school year, we have lots of exciting new topics to look forward to including finding out where in the world Sunny the Meerkat is. We will also be taking part in sports day and transition activities in preparation for moving up to the next class.

The children will be taking part in the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check from 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> June. They have worked extremely hard all year on their phonics skills.

If you have any questions, you can always send us a message on Class Dojo. Thank you for your continuous support.

Mrs Marshall and Mrs Fairhurst

### English

This half-term we will be reading a variety of poems and fiction/non-fiction texts. Texts will include Lost and Found, David Attenborough (Little People, Big Dreams) and The Storm Whale.

**Phonics** - We will continue to focus on applying our Phase 5 phonics skills when reading and writing. We will also be focusing on spelling Year 1 common exception words correctly in our independent writing.

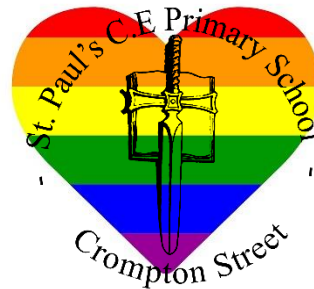
### Maths

This half-term we will be looking at Money, Position and Direction and Place value to 100.

We will be using real coins and notes in our lessons and role play to help us recognise their value. We will continue with our weekly arithmetic lessons and daily counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

### P.E.

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



### 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.

### R.E.

This half-term our topic will be **Jesus was special**. We will be exploring key questions such as What made Jesus special? Who are the special friends of Jesus and how did they try to follow his teaching? We will share a variety of stories from the New Testament.

### Science

This half-term we will continue with our plants topic. Whilst exploring the school grounds, we will be learning the names of different plants/flower and observing how plants change over time. We will be learning about deciduous and evergreen trees.



### 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: **Where in the world is Sunny the Meerkat?** We will use Sunny's travels to help us learn about the world and its oceans. We will be using maps to help us locate different places and looking at different animals that habitat in hot and cold countries.