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# BEAVER ROAD M20

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## Year 1 Newsletter

### Spring 1



Welcome back to the first half of the Spring term in Year 1. The children are well into their Year 1 journey now and we can't wait to see what wonderful work they produce this term and the progress that they will make. We are very excited to start our new learning challenge question 'Why are humans not like tigers?' We are sure that the children are going to love it!



### English

This term, the children will be reading 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' by Judith Kerr. They will also learn to:

- Innovate 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' following a Talk for Writing approach.
- Become increasingly confident using 'because' in sentences and using adjectives.
- Write a senses poem using rhyming words.

This half term we will be focusing on:



- Recapping on addition and subtraction families.
- Understanding what 'greater than' and 'less than' mean and ordering numbers.
- Addition and subtraction with numbers to 20 and then numbers to 40.
- 3D shapes and their properties
- Measuring and comparing height and length.
- Place value with 2 digit numbers

## Curriculum

Here is some information about what we will be learning about across different subjects. More details can be found on the Medium Term Plan which you can download from the school website.

In Science children will learn:

- that the length of the days change throughout the year and will monitor this every week.
- about different types of animals and will describe and compare different animal's bodies.
- to label key parts of the human body and understand senses.
- In Geography children will learn:
- to explain where they live and tell someone their address.
- to use a map to locate where they live
- to use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries.

In History children will learn:

- to discuss changes within living memory

## Reading at Home



To help support your child, we ask parents and carers to read with their child daily at home! Frequent reading will enable your child to practise their phonics, their reading fluency, comprehension skills and recognising the key words for Year 1. A copy of these is available on the Year 1 class page under resources to support learning at home.

Please try to post a comment on Seesaw once per week, to let your child's class teacher know how they are progressing with their reading at home. Your child will bring home one colour banded book, 1 phonics decodable book and one reading for pleasure book which is meant to be read together.

Children can change their books when they have finished reading them. However, we do ask that children read books at least 3 times before changing to develop fluency skills. The children are being taught to independently record their books on Seesaw.

### Communication

Teaching Assistants will always be on the Year 1 doors each day at 8:50 to meet and greet the children. Any messages can be taken and passed on to your child's class teacher. Class Teachers will be at the door after school until all children have been dismissed. If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to come to speak to us. This is our preferred method of communication.



For non-urgent enquiries, parents and carers can email the school using [admin@brps.net](mailto:admin@brps.net). All emails to the school should specify the member of staff that the query is addressed to. All emails to the school will be treated as confidential, unless there is a specific reason not to do so. Parents and carers should expect a response to emails within 3 working days from the school admin team. If an email is sent directly to your child's class teacher they will only respond through the admin email address as explained in our school communication procedure.

[BR Communication Procedure](#)

### Drop off and collection

School starts at **8:50** and doors will be closed promptly at **9:00am**. If your child comes after this time they will need to enter via the office. If there are changes to the collection arrangements for your child, please contact the school office either by phoning 0161 4459337 or e-mailing [admin@brps.net](mailto:admin@brps.net)

## Learning at Home



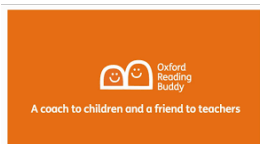
### Mangahigh

Throughout the half term your child will have access to new challenges on Mangahigh to reflect what they are learning in class and to recap skills taught earlier in the year. These games are really fun and will help to consolidate your child's learning.



### Spelling Shed

Your child will be set spellings to practise each week at home. The games on Spelling Shed are a fun and exciting way to engage your child in practising their spelling at home.



### Reading Buddy

Your child has been set up with a reading buddy account where they are able to access a range of books and complete comprehension activities.

### Learning at Home Grids

Our Learning at Home Grids have been sent home via seesaw. These grids include a variety optional of challenges linked to the topics your child is covering in class and reinforce the knowledge and skills taught. We encourage families to share the learning that the children have done at home on Seesaw.

## Important Information

### PE

This half term we will be doing PE every Tuesday and every Wednesday. It is essential children bring in the correct PE kit. PE kits are to remain in school and will be sent home at the end of the half term to be cleaned.

Please ensure your child keeps their PE kits in school. These will be returned at the end of the half term to be cleaned.



### Lost Property

Please ensure your child's clothes are all labelled. Any unclaimed items will be available on the playgrounds on a Friday after school.

### Helpful Reminders

Please ensure your child brings into school daily:

- A named water bottle
- Weather appropriate coat
- Weather appropriate shoes

## Dates for the Diary

Dates for your diary.....

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January- Inset day

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January- school starts

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January Zoo to you visiting School

Celebration assemblies on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of February (please see additional information section for more information regarding dates and times for each class)

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Last day of school



## Additional information

***Class celebration assemblies-*** An opportunity for children to showcase what they have learnt in the term.

Dates and times:

### **Tuesday 13th February 2024**

1S - 9:30-10:10 Dance Hall

1J - 9:30-10:10 Gym Hall

### **Wednesday 14th February 2024**

1HS - 9:30-10:10 Dance Hall

1DW- 9:30-10:10 Gym Hall

1W - 2:30-3:10 Dance Hall



*Zoo to you*

Pupils can experience this safe hands-on approach to the natural world in the comfort and security of their own classroom.

*£3.50 to pay on parent pay*

