



Dates for your diary

- World Hijab Day - Thursday 1st February
- Children's Mental Health Week - Monday 5th - Friday 11th February
- Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 6th February
- Spring Disco and Last Day of Term - Friday 9th February
- Half term - Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February.
- Start of Spring 2 - Monday 19th February

Routines

Outdoor PE - Wednesday mornings (Coach Kyla)

Indoor PE - Monday (1W) and Friday (1P)

Home Learning

Maths: Set Friday - due Wednesday

Phonics/Spelling Practice: Set Friday

Messages

Labelling - Please ensure all items of your child's clothing are labelled.

Bookbags - Please ensure your child brings their bookbag in every day.

Student Teachers - We are very fortunate to have both student teachers returning to Fairlawn this half term. Miss Rahman will continue to work with 1P and Miss Sattar will be in 1W.

PE Day

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit: white polo shirt; black/navy jogging bottoms, and trainers. **Please send children to school in their PE kit on these days.**

Our Learning Journey

This term, our geography-themed topic is 'What is the Geography of Where I live?', where we will be learning about a range of continents, countries, cities and towns. The children will also be developing a range of mapping skills.

Outdoor Learning (Forest School)

Our outdoor learning sessions will be postponed until Spring 2 as the Golden Garden needs time to rest and recover.

English

This half-term, our writing will focus on the text **The Storm Whale by Benji Davies**. We will start by using key events (plot points) in the story to collate adventurous vocabulary, to write and develop a range of sentences (sentence stacking). We will then move on to getting to know the story and retelling it through role play, before the independent writing stage.

Phonics

This term, we will be learning the Phase 5 phonic sounds. We will continue to send home a weekly spelling sheet and we would appreciate it if you could continue to practise these with your child.

Children will also be learning to read and write the following new tricky words: **any, many, again, who, whole, where, two, school, call, different, though, through, friends and work.**

Reading

Please listen to your child read every day for 10 minutes.

Daily Supported Reading (DSR)

Year 1 children will take part in DSR from Tuesday to Friday, whereby every child reads in a group, supported by an adult. **DSR books must be returned on a Monday.**

Maths

Part-whole model; recognise, compose, decompose and manipulate 2D and 3D shapes; recognise and represent numbers to 10; addition

Science

Parts of Animals - children will be identifying, naming and drawing the basic parts of the human body and say which parts of the body are associated with each sense. We will be describing and comparing the structure and variety to a variety of common animals.

Other Curriculum Areas

DT - STRUCTURES: Constructing Windmills

PSHE - Citizenship

Computing - Digital Writing

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