# **Year 1 Newsletter**



# **Autumn 1**



Dear Families,

We hope you had a great summer break and are looking forward to the new academic year. We have a busy half term ahead, packed with lots of learning.

In geography this term, we will be learning about Spatial Sense. This means we will learn how to use and draw maps and understand what is meant by direction, location and the purpose of maps.

In history, we will be 'discovering' history. We will learn what the past is and how family trees can be used to help us. We will also know what archaeologists do and complete a local history study.

In science, we will learn about the Human Body—specifically our senses. We will discover each of the five senses, which body part we use for them, and their purpose.

In art, we are learning about colour. We will know what primary and secondary colours are. We will also learn how to use various materials to design and make products. We will use David Hockney, Claude Monet and Van Gogh as inspiration.

In maths, we are learning about Place Value within 10—focusing on

counting, comparing, ordering and recognizing numbers.

In writing, we are using the story **Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak** to help us describe characters and write a recount. We will also learn the poem 'Funny Bone' by Simon Gowen.

In RE, we are learning about the Creation Story and different beliefs on how the world began.

In PSHE, we will be learning about Ourselves. This includes relationships, how to keep healthy and our dreams and goals.

In design and technology, we will be learning about fruit and vegetables. In computing, we will be learning how technology is used in school and how we can use technology.

Year 1 Team

## **Important Dates**

19/9/22 Public Holiday (Academy Closed)

28/9/22 and 29/9/22—parents evenings

29/9/22—Macmillan coffee morning

30/9/22—individual photographs

## **Home Learning**

Spellings are weekly. It is better to practise all week to help embed them in to long term memory

Reading - 3 x a week at home. Please record your reading in your reading record.

Please practise letter formation with your child. A letter formation sheet will be sent home.



STORY AND PICTURES BY MAURICE SENDAK

#### **Home Reading Challenge**

This half term's reading challenge is 25+ reads. Any reads your child completes must be noted, dated and signed by an adult in their home reading records. Children can read any books they wish but only those noted in their records will count towards the challenge.

#### PE

This half term we will be focusing on Fundamentals and Team Building .

PE will be on **Monday (Mayflower)** and **Tuesday** (**Victory)** so please ensure your child arrives in their PE kit - white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers.