



Year One Newsletter

Week Beginning: 16th September 2024

Topic: Unique UK



End of Topic Question:

Which UK country should Mrs. Grimes visit and why?

Reminders/ Upcoming dates:

Scholastic Book Fayre until Wednesday 18th September

Friday 27th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning



What's Happening Next Week:

English – Katie in London



We will be reading a wonderful story called – Katie Goes to London this week. It is all about a girl who sees the sights of London alongside her brother and a Trafalgar Square lion. The children will be labelling the sights they see as they get introduced to using more capital letters along with writing sentences to say what Katie saw during her city adventure.



How You Can Help at Home:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/what-are-the-landmarks-in-london-71k3cc?activity=video&step=2&view=1>

Use the video above to further develop your child's knowledge and understanding of famous London landmarks. They will know the names and become more familiar with their appearance, but can you begin to find out more about the location and history of any these famous landmarks:

Big Ben
St Paul's Cathedral
The Tower of London
Tower Bridge
Buckingham Palace

Why not try a little internet research? Your child could write down any interesting facts they find out, practising using capital letters for the names of the landmarks as they do so.

Maths –

In maths this week the children will be continuing to focus on Place Value by representing numbers using objects. They will also learn that numerals can be written as words with the focus being on numbers 0-10. The children will finish the week by counting on within 10 and adding one more to a given number.



Try out this game on Topmarks to help your child to learn more of the number names from 1-10

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers>



Science

We will continue to learn about what science is and how we can work and think scientifically.

The children will explore the key skills that they will use in science lessons, including recording information, asking questions and the practical skills of investigations and experiments.

This week we will conduct an experiment investigating floating and sinking using raisins and water.



You could have a go at conducting your own experiment at home. Have a look at the link below for some ideas.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/curations/science-experiments-tlgc>



Art – Exploring Clay and Clay Marking

The children will continue their project making a dragon eye out of clay. Last week the children designed their dragon eye. This week they will get the opportunity to explore a variety of tools and techniques that can be used to mark and add patterns into clay.



Your child could practise making a dragon eye or even a dragon at home using playdough. They could have a go at making different textures and try using different tools to make marks and add patterns.



Geography – England and London

This week we will continue to focus on England in our geography lesson. We will look in more detail at London and its landmarks. We will be exploring and plotting famous London landmarks on a map.



Have a go at this game which tests your knowledge of the United Kingdom and Ireland. Do you know what they look like on a map? Do you know the capital of each of these countries?

https://world-geography-games.com/en/europe_uk_ireland.html

Which one of these 5 countries is not part of the UK?



Computing

The children will get to know the main parts of a desktop or laptop computer.



Have a go at the following game to explore the controlling a mouse or a touch pad.

<https://www.roomrecess.com/games/DragonDrop/play.html>



Physical Education

Target Games:

To develop overarm and underarm throwing with accuracy.



Fundamentals:

To explore changing direction and dodging.

Rock, paper, scissors

Get Set 4 P.E.

People: 2

How to play:

- Face each other and jump on the spot three times before jumping on the fourth jump either with your feet landing together to represent 'rock', jump with your feet straddled wide to represent 'paper', or jump with your feet one forwards and one back to represent 'scissors'.
- Rock beats scissors, scissors beats paper and paper beats rock.



Please see the home learning phonics information below
to see what we will be learning next week.

Have a great weekend!

The Year 1 team 😊

Little Wandle - Letters and Sounds Year 1 Phonics Home Learning



Phase 3 & 4 (review) / Phase 5 - Autumn 1 Week 2
Focus - Review Phase 3 / Words with 2 or more digraphs

Please support your child to practise and reinforce the phonemes and graphemes we are learning in school. More information and support can be found on the Little Wandle website - <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -

ai	ee	igh	oa	oo
ar	or	ur	oo	ow
oi	ear	air	er	

We will be reading and writing words. *Can you see this week's focus phonemes?*

fears	year	fishes	bigger
cheep	shower	chain	finger
queen	tooth	singer	shark

We will be reading and writing sentences. *Can you spot any tricky words? Can you see this week's focus phonemes? Can you read these sentences fluently?*

My fishes are bigger than the cat.

I can feel the cobweb with my finger.

The sheep has sharp teeth.

My garden feels cool in the morning.

We will be practising tricky words. *Can you spot the tricky part of the word?*

what	when	he	she	we
be	me	have	love	

We will be spelling words. *Can you write these words? Can you use the correct phonemes?*

hair	march	chair	sharp
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