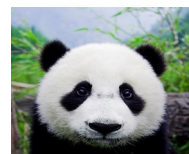
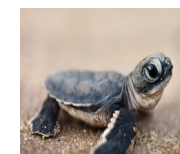


This is what we're doing this term!	
English	We will be reading <i>The Train Ride</i> and looking at adjectives to describe the journey. Next half term we will be looking at the story of <i>Handa's Surprise</i> , the children will discuss and rewrite the story. We will also look at how to write a non chronological report based on <i>Handa's Surprise</i> . We will continue to practice common exception words as our spellings that the children must be able to read and spell by the end of year 1.
Mathematics	We have begun to use multiplication and division. We will be focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, using the language; groups, lots, multiplied by and times. We will also look at division and sharing.
Science	We are investigating plants and animals this term. We will be exploring our own plants in school. We will also explore plants and minibeasts during Forest school sessions. We will be exploring lifecycles and discussing animal classifications.
ICT	We will be looking at creating music using the iPads then developing online safety with the children and how to use the internet to find information.
Geography	We will be looking at hot and cold climates around the world following on from our story in English, <i>Handa's Surprise</i> and comparing places around the world.
Art / DT	In Art we will be looking at the work of Van Gogh. In DT we will be visiting the Invention Shed to make our own trains.
Music	Music is run by In Harmony and we continue to learn to play our instruments. Mrs Sinclair also teaches singing one a week.
P.E.	This term we will be working with our PE coach to focus on Athletics. They children will be practising; throwing and catching, running, relays and working as a team.
R.E.	We will be learning about Christianity and the Bible, teaching the bible stories and understanding the concepts and characters.
PSHE	In PSHE we will be learning about health and wellbeing and responding safely to others. We will also discuss looking after the environment, animals and plants.
History	During history lessons we will be exploring the life of George Stephenson and looking at transport through time.



Year 1 Summer Term



Dear Parents

This term we will be getting the children ready for the National Phonic Screen which will take place week commencing 10th June. All children must be in school that week. Please continue to practice the sounds with your child as often as possible. Children need to be able to read set 2 and 3 sounds confidently.

We hope that by working together we can make this term a happy and very profitable one for your child, offering them interesting and challenging activities and experiences and ensuring that they make the best possible progress.

We will also be getting ready for a move into Year 2!

Thank you for your continued support at home with homework, spellings and reading and reminding your child of our school and classroom rules. **Please continue to check and empty your child's reading folders daily, some are very full with drawings and letters to be kept at home.**

Many thanks

Miss Penaluna and Mrs Watson

SOME REMINDERS

Start of the day - Please arrive on time for the doors opening at 8.40am, this is the time children practice their handwriting/spellings/maths fluency before moving into their phonic groups for their daily Read Write Inc lesson. Children who miss even a few minutes of the school day can miss out on vital aspects of the curriculum. Gates are currently locked at 8.55, after half term they will be locked at 8.50.

End of the day - Turtles finish at 3.10pm on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. 3.30pm on Thursday and Friday. Pandas finish at 3.10pm on Monday, Thursday and Friday. 3.30pm on Tuesday and Wednesday. The later finishes are due to our In Harmony sessions. Please be prompt in collecting your child and we will do our best to ensure they are ready on time. **Children in year 1 must be collected by someone over 16.** Please remember to let a member of staff know if someone different is coming to collect your child. If we do not know them we may be unable to let your child leave with them. In this situation we will contact you via telephone to gain permission before allowing your child to leave the premises.

Reading – Please continue to **bring in your child's reading folder every-day** and read every night at home. Reading is an important part of the curriculum and therefore we encourage you to spend time reading with your child and ask you to sign their reading record (yellow book) every time you do this. Please also read the phonic book and practice any sounds sent home in their homework pack. **Please return your child's library pack, RWI pack every Monday so they can be changed.**

Homework – Both classes have homework added to their homework book on a Friday to be completed and returned by the following Thursday. Spellings are also sent home for a weekly spelling challenge. Please continue to practice spellings regularly, the more often children practice their spellings the best chance they have of learning them and be able to write them correctly in all aspects of their writing. Phonic videos to practice phonics at home are added to your child's portfolio on class dojo.

Book bags - please make sure you check and empty your child's book bag regularly. Miss Whitfield and Miss Middlemiss check reading records daily and stuffed book bags make it very difficult for them. Please also ensure ONLY library books are in the library packs. **Can all key rings and badges be removed from book bags please.**

Class dojo - we use class dojo to send messages to all parents on our class story section. Please make sure to regularly check class dojo so you don't miss out on any important information or dates. We are receiving a lot of private messages on dojo through the day, unfortunately we do not always see or are able to respond to these until after school.

Jewellery - A reminder that the only earrings that are allowed to be worn in school are small stud earrings and these **MUST NOT** be worn on PE days. Please make sure they are taken out on the day your child has PE. **NO** other jewellery should be worn.

Shoes - Please make sure your child is wearing sensible school shoes, i.e. no heeled boots/shoes, sliders, Crocs or slippers. If they have laces, please teach them how to tie them themselves or alternatively make sure they wear Velcro shoes if they can't tie laces. This will help us greatly—thank you!

Uniforms and Coats - All children *must* wear school uniform at all times. Please make sure uniform is **clearly labelled** with your child's name. As the weather becomes warmer your child still needs to bring a coat into school, as we do play and learn outside in all weathers. When appropriate please ensure your child has a sun hat and wears sun cream to come to school.

Any unclaimed clothes, without names are sent to lost property located in the main office.

PE – Both classes have P.E. on a Thursday. Each child has their own P.E. kit in school. **Please ensure children bring or wear trainers on the day of their PE lesson.**