

Dear Parents/Carers,

Whether you have been supporting your child at home with their learning or if you are continuing to send your child to school, we would like to say a huge thank you for your continued support. We hope we can all return to school very soon.

During this half term, Year 1's topic will be 'Homes and Castles'. On our school website you will find your child's knowledge organiser's which contain key facts, vocabulary, and information about your child's learning in class.

Our learning:

- In Reading, our class texts will be a range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to our topic. We will be focusing on the skills retrieve, sequence, predict and infer.
- In Writing, we will be re-telling stories we have read, creating our own page for a book, and writing about science investigations we have carried out.
- In Maths, the children will continue to look at numbers to 50 and then move on to look at measurement.
- In Science, the children will continue learning about different types of everyday materials and how they are used in toys.
- In History, the children will be learning about castles and homes. We will be comparing the similarities and differences between the past and the present.
- In R.E. we will be focusing on the question 'How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?'
- In P.E, the children will be learning gymnastics skills and they will look at how our bodies can get into different shapes.
- In Art, the children will be creating junk model castles.

Please continue to support your child at home in ensuring that they are reading each day independently and ensure that they also have opportunities to listen to an adult read to them. **Once they have read with an adult please upload a video onto Class Dojo or write a comment in your child's reading record.** 

If your child is working from home, please continue to follow the learning on our school website each day and join your class for live lessons. If you require any additional information about this, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to assist you.

You can use the information on their knowledge organisers to test your child's recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

## Key dates for your diary

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Term begins Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March – Science Week Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Terms ends. Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Children return to school.

Thank you for your continued support, Yours sincerely, The Year 1 team