










Castle View Primary Academy Reception and Year 1 Newsletter Spring Term 1 2024

<p>English</p>  	<p>All children in Class YR & Y1 will continue to work in their small 'Read Write' phonics groups every morning. Our daily sessions are based around lots of oral and written activities to support the development of confident readers and writers. Reception children will be developing confidence and accuracy with segmenting and blending sounds in words when reading and writing. Year 1 children will be developing basic punctuation such as capital letters, full stops and some will be using question marks, exclamation marks and commas. We will encourage the use of joining words and descriptive words to make their writing more exciting. This term there will be a greater emphasis placed on the neat presentation of work.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>This term all our children will continue to develop their understanding of numbers and the number system. Reception will be looking at developing their understanding of the numbers 5 -10. This will include lots of practical activities including manipulating objects and resources in a variety of ways to make different representations of numbers. Year 1 children will be counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will be adding and subtracting using a range of practical and written strategies. We will be looking at recording measurements of height, weight and capacity.</p>
<p>Science</p> 	<p>In science the children will be talking about the different seasons. We will observe changes in the weather and the effect this has on the jobs that people do. We will be observing plants in different seasons and answering questions about how the seasons affect the plants in their local environment.</p>
<p>Topic</p> 	<p>In geography we will become geographers as we learn about how the year is organised into months and seasons. We will be discussing how people dress in the different seasons. We will become weather forecasters and write our own weather reports. We will also be looking at how the weather affects people's work.</p>
<p>Home School Partnership</p> 	<p>We would like you to help your child at home with the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• listen to your child read at least 3 times every week and then discuss what has been read to develop their understanding;• use the phonics activities in our reading packs to develop phonics skills;• practise letter formation;• practise counting forwards and backwards.
<p>Reminders</p> 	<p>Reading packs with all resources should be in school every day. PE is on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Please send a PE kit into school to be stored on their pegs - trainers/pumps, navy jogging bottoms/leggings, white PE tee-shirt and school jumper. Children also need to bring a coat and water bottle to school every day.</p> <p>If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the team.</p> <p>Thank you, Miss Spencer</p>