

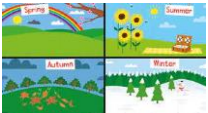







Castle View Primary Academy Reception and Year 1 Newsletter Spring Term 2 2024

<p>English</p> 	<p>The children will learn and practise different phonic sounds before reading and writing words containing these sounds in their small phonic groups. This term we are having a big push on 'speedy reading' (saying the whole word rather than having to sound out every letter in the word). Please support your child with this by practising and praising them when reading the words in their reading books. Our reception aged children will focus on developing their sentence composition and will be encouraged to say their sentences out loud before writing. Year 1 will be expected to use basic punctuation such as capital letters and full stops. They will be encouraged to use descriptive words to make their writing more exciting. Again, there will be a great emphasis placed on neat presentation of work for all pupils.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>This term the children will continue to develop their understanding of numbers and the number system. Reception children will be looking in depth at where numbers are placed on a number line and using resources in a variety of ways to make different representations of numbers (for example 5 is made up of 1 and 4, and 2 and 3). Year 1 children will be counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and practising counting forwards and backwards. They will also be continuing to develop confidence when working on addition and subtraction calculations. They will be using a variety of practical resources to demonstrate their understanding.</p>
<p>Science</p> 	<p>In science the children will become confident when talking about the differences between the four seasons. They will use the outdoor space to observe changes in the weather and watch plants growing as it gets warmer. The children will discuss how the weather affects what they wear.</p>
<p>Topic</p> 	<p>In geography we will continue to think about hot and cold places. We will use maps to locate these hot and cold places. The children will think about how animals have adapted to live in these extreme places.</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 (daily would be even better!) 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>