

Year 1 Autumn Newsletter 2024

Hello! A huge welcome to the wonderful world that is Year 1! I am so excited to get to know you all and for all the fabulous things we will be learning.

If you or your child have any worries or would like to get in touch, please email me at: a.town@crackleybank.staffs.sch.uk and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Reading happens every day! Reading is a part of our daily timetable, and all children will need to have their reading books in school with them every day.

Inside your child's reading book, you will find some top tips for you to use with your child to get the most out of their reading at home. Please make sure this comes back into school with their reading book ready for someone else to use when it is their turn for that book.

During the Autumn Term we will be learning all about our **crucial knowledge**. Our crucial knowledge can be found within our entire curriculum. These are the facts our children need to know in each subject, and we hope you can practise this at home with your children.

NOTICES

PE will be on a *Wednesday*. Please ensure that children come to school in their correct PE kit on this day. We will outdoors at times so the children will need appropriate clothing please. All jewellery must be removed before coming to school on PE days, it cannot be covered. Don't forget to label your jumper, coats and water bottles in case they decide to wander off!

Homework will be sent out each Thursday. It needs to be completed and returned to school by the following Wednesday. This will include spellings and times tables. Please also continue to look over the crucial knowledge sent home each half term.

Water bottles – please make sure these are taken home each day, washed and re-filled ready for the next day.

Our Curriculum

During English and Maths lessons this term, we will be focussing on embedding those basic skills and practising our phonics, reading, writing and numbers!

In Science we will be learning all about materials and their properties. In Geography we will be learning about where we live and our local area. We plan to take a walk into Chesterton to support this learning. We will also be learning more about our nearest village, town and city! In History we will be learning about local potters, and how pottery is made. In Art we will be learning different drawing techniques and making portraits. In DT we will be looking at mechanisms and making sliders and levers. In Computing we will be learning about what technology is and how to use a computer. During our PSHE lessons we will be learning all about the people who help us and how to stay safe.

There are so many exciting opportunities for learning this term so make sure you are in school, on time and ready to get going!

I am really looking forward to working with you all! Miss Town 😊