Year One Caterpillar Term 2 Newsletter



Welcome back to term 2. We hope that you have all had an enjoyable and restful half-term week. We are looking forward to meeting with you at Parents Evening, to discuss your child's journey into Key Stage One and the progress that they are making.

Term 2 Topic

In term 2, our topic is **'London, with a Capital L!'**

We will be comparing West Malling to London, locating them on a map and using directional language. We will be using texts including Katie in London and Maisie goes to London to support our learning of London and to continue to build vocabulary, act, verbally retell, story map, develop and create our own story writing. We will also be reading Handa's Surprise, to explore stories from other cultures.
In Science, we will be looking at the world around us to explore seasonal changes. We will continue to visit Forest School on a Wednesday afternoon. Through DT and Computing, we will be cooking and creating videos.

Uniform

Please ensure that all school uniform, PE kits and coats are labelled. This makes it easier for the children to find their belongings independently and helps return lost uniform quickly. PE kits need to be in school every day and will be returned at the end of the term. PE will continue to take place on Friday afternoons.

Drink and snack

Please send in a named water bottle daily and these will be returned daily. Please ensure lunch boxes are named as well, as some of the children have the same lunch boxes. A fruit snack for morning break time is provided every day at school.

Reading / Spellings

There will be a slight change to the book changing schedule from this term. Children's books will be changed on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday using a classroom rota. Please see the classroom window to find out when your child's book change will be. Children are expected to read a minimum of five times a week and we encourage you to ask questions alongside, to support their understanding. Please sign and comment in the reading record. The children have been trying really hard with their spellings and we will continue to send these on a Friday to be tested the following Friday. Thank you for your support with this.

Miss Cope and Mrs Boden

Important Dates

Monday 2nd November	Return to school for Term 2
Wednesday 4th November	School Photo Day
Monday 16th November	Odd Socks Day
Thursday 19th November	Author Visit
Friday 27th November	Year 1 Class Assembly
Friday 27th November	Pupil Progress Reports sent out
Wed 2nd - Thurs 3rd December	Parents Evening - both virtual and face to face
Monday 7th December	Snow White Pantomime
Friday 11th December	Christmas jumper day / Christmas lunch day
Friday 11th December	Christmas Fair
Wednesday 16th December	Christmas performance (KS1 - 9:30am / Bumblebees -11:00/ KS2 - 2pm)
Friday 18th December	Break up for Christmas (early finish 1:30pm)