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St Martin's CE
Primary School

Book bags

Your child will be heard read in school and this will supplement reading activities in lessons. There will be no set day your child will be heard on so we would appreciate it, therefore, if you could ensure your child brings their reading book and record in their book bag to school every day. At home please read with your child daily a little and often. The common exception words will be sent home and a 0 – 99 grid with some activities you can do with your children to help them learn their numbers and the Year 1 words.

Snack at break

If you would like your child to bring a snack for playtime this must be a healthy snack such as a piece of fruit or a cereal bar. This should not be crisps or chocolate. They all have fruit and water straight after playtime so they do eat something before lunch.

PE

Our PE day next term will be Tuesday. Please make sure earrings are removed on these days otherwise your child will be unable to participate. It's easier if your child leaves their PE kit at school. We will send it home at the end of each half term to be washed. Your child can then return it to school on the first day of each half term.

Year 1 Curriculum Leaflet

We understand that Year 1 is an important year in your child's education and therefore you may want to support your child at home. In this leaflet, you will find out about what your child will be learning during this term and how you can help them.

It gives you information about what is going to be taught in all areas of the curriculum in school and suggests some ways in which you can get involved to support your child.

We see this as a great opportunity for you to share in your child's education.

Thank you for your support!
Miss Brookbanks and Mrs Woodcock

Land Ahoy!

Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum! Arrrr...me hearties, - it's a sailor's life for me! Get your sea legs on, it's time to sail the salty seas. Navigate, investigate and explore the world – just like Captain Cook. Thar's land ahead, me buckos! Let's get t'ship t'port.

Once upon a time...

Are you sitting comfortably? It's time for a story, a story that has been passed through generations and enjoyed by many. Follow Jack on his journey up the beanstalk and help him defeat the Giant. Will he make it back home in one piece? Is the Giant as bad as he seems? Will they live happily ever after?



Our Topics

Our first topic is all about Pirates. Children will be developing skills in all areas of the curriculum through this topic. They will be learning about significant people from the past and studying Blackbeard, developing map skills by being able to identify the five oceans, the continents, compass directions and symbols and keys on maps. In Art lessons, they will be learning about portraits and Music will see them singing pirate songs as well as using the internet in computing to further research pirate facts.

Our second topic is all about fairy tales with a focus on Jack and the Beanstalk. They will compare fairy tales old and new and explore changes over the years. In Design and Technology they will design and make a 'pop up' picture from a fairy tale and in Music they will investigate how to make sound effects to go along side a story being told.

We'd love for you to get involved and help your child get a better understanding of the topics. How you can help your child at home:

- Research pirates
- Research Blackbeard
- Look at maps of our country and the world
- Read Jack and the Beanstalk together and practise re-telling it
- Enjoy reading lots of traditional fairy tales together. Are there any similarities between them?

Maths

In Arithmetic the children will learn how to calculate by using vertical additions with two-digit whole numbers not crossing a tens boundary, they will copy and act real stories for division with one-digit whole numbers.

In shape they will make 2D shapes and learn about full turns, half turns and quarter turns.

In Data and Measures they will use a ruler to measure in cm and learn about Mass using g and Kg.

In Reasoning they will use addition and subtraction to solve real life stories about everyday objects or measures.

How to help at home:

- Learn the pairs of numbers that make 5, 10 and 20
- Compare the weights of different objects
- Play shape I spy
- Practise different turns
- Complete the activities on the 0-99 grid sheet

RE & PSHE

Firstly, children will be thinking about big questions in relation to Christianity, where the answer is not always obvious. We will move on to think about who made the world with a focus on the story of creation.

In our PSHE lessons children will listen to a range of stories and discuss the hidden meanings of those stories around friendship.

English

During English lessons children will be following the Read Write Inc Phonics programme where they focus on practising forming letters correctly, using Fred Fingers to spell and learning how to spell rotten red words with tricky graphemes. Your child will also rehearse basic skills such as using finger spaces, remembering capital letters and full stops and writing on the lines.

In additional English lessons they will continue to apply 1A sentences and capital letters for names. They will learn how to use and to join ideas in sentences and how to use the suffix -s and -es to make plurals and -ed to create past tense words.

You could help at home by practising handwriting with children and choosing some of the spellings from the Year 1 word list to practise with your child.

Science

Our first topic is about Materials. Children will learn to name and describe the properties of a range of materials and will investigate and evaluate their suitability for a given purpose. They will investigate the best material to make a boat, thinking about which objects float and sink.



Our second topic is about plants.

Children will learn to identify and name the main parts of flowering plants as well as identify and name common garden plants. They will investigate and test what plants need in order to grow well.

