



Year 1 News



Welcome back! Happy New Year to you all!

News

Wednesday 8th February– Brainbuilders homework due in.

Phonics Workshop February 9th at 3.30 pm

All parents are invited to come to our phonics workshop. If you are keen to learn about what the children need to know about phonics in Year 1, please come along. The workshops will be held in Red Class. Please let your Class Teacher know if you wish to attend.

Class Assemblies

Blue Class Friday 12th May

Orange Class Friday 26th May

Red Class Friday 5th May

English

This term we will be looking at a range of space themed fiction and non-fiction books including poetry. 'The Man on the Moon' and 'Aliens Love Underpants' are two of our focus texts. The children will write stories, news articles and poems inspired by their reading. They will learn how to use adjectives, verbs and nouns effectively and correctly within their writing.



Science Year 1

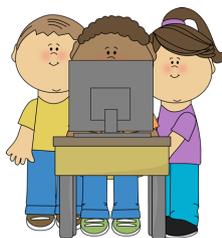
children will be discovering how we can make our own flying rockets. Like true rocket scientists, we will investigate rocket performance; planning and carrying out our own rocket experiments.



We shall also be learning about the planets and be thinking about how aliens might view the planet Earth.

Computing

Children will be building upon their computing skills. They will learn how to use a variety of programs and further developing their mouse control and keyboard skills.



Mathematics

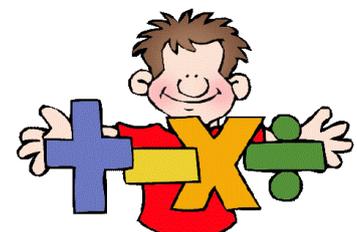
The children will be identifying the properties of various 2D shapes and use these properties to classify and sort them. The children will develop and refine their measuring skills. They will also be solving addition, subtraction and money.

How you can help at home

Continue practising counting from any number up to 100; counting in groups of 2, 5 and 10 and learning number bonds up to 20.

If you are cooking, encourage your child to help with weighing out the ingredients.

When visiting shops encourage your children to use coins and talk about money.





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Term 3

If you are keen to help your child prepare for Term 4's learning, our next topic is 'Charles Dickens and the Life of Victorians.'

Topic

This term we will be launching ourselves into an exploration of 'Space.'

For **History** we will be learning about the history of space travel and researching different astronauts.

In **Art** we will be looking at the work of Mondrian and producing art in his style.

We shall continue to have fun being rocket scientists in **Design Technology** as we will be designing and making rockets.

PSHE

In **PSHE** we will be learning about 'New Beginnings.' We will talk about New Year Resolutions and look at how we will continue to promote positive friendships and discuss how to resolve disagreements peacefully.

RE

In **French** we are learning how they celebrate the new year in France and we will begin to learn the vocabulary for numbers.

PE Year 1 have PE every Tuesday afternoon

Please can parents ensure that children have their PE kits in school. Please ensure all PE Kit and uniform are clearly labelled. Tracksuits are advisable due to the unpredictable and colder weather. Children need to ensure that long hair is tied back and that any jewellery is removed. Earrings must not be worn on PE days. Staff cannot remove them.

Activities for home

The focus question for Brainbuilders this term is 'What do Buzz Aldrin and Buzz Lightyear have in common?'

If your child makes a model, a photo of this also needs to be included in their Brainbuilder book.

Reminders

Bags:

Thank you for supporting us with the new ruling about bags. If you are not aware, we have made a ruling that at Tunbury Primary the students will only be allowed to bring in their PE kits and books in the school issued bags.

Jumpers:

Please could we remind all parents/carers to ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Books:

Children are reminded to change their book daily to encourage independence. We are also encouraging children to choose books for pleasure and to develop an enthusiasm for reading. Please speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Lip Balm in School:

We realise that with the onset of colder weather, some of the children may get chapped lips and need to apply lip balm. If your child has such an issue, please speak to the class teacher. Any lip balms bought into school will need to be handed in to the school office for safekeeping.