



Class 1 – Year 1



Autumn 2 Learning Letter November 2023

Dear parents and carers,

We hope you have had an enjoyable half term and are rested, ready for the rest of the term.

If you have any questions throughout the year, please do not hesitate to ask or email e.sidley@ripley.n-yorks.sch.uk or l.bassett@ripley.n-yorks.sch.uk. This letter will include key information, dates and homework for the term.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sidley and Mrs Bassitt

Day to day routine

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			<p><u>PE</u> Full kit should be in school for PE. The children will also have their last forest school session on 9th November please ensure your child has appropriate waterproof clothing as well as wellies.</p> <p>Homework books, reading books and library books to be brought back into school.</p>	<p><u>Celebration Assembly</u> Town hall assembly beginning at 9am.</p> <p><u>PE</u> Full kit should be in school for PE</p> <p>Library, reading and homework books go home.</p>

Children should bring in water bottles daily to keep hydrated throughout the day.



Take a look at our SeeSaw to see regular updates of our learning.

Please feel free to add comments and like your child's work.



Seesaw

Homework

We really appreciate the time taken to support your child at home and can really see the difference it makes to your child's progress.

Children are to complete the following homework **each week**:

- Reading daily
- Little Wandle Phonics
- Numbots
- Maths activity to be completed in the Maths booklet provided.

Your child has a homework book and Maths booklet, this is where any homework is to be completed and recorded (unless uploaded to SeeSaw). Below, there is additional topic-based homework that can be completed over the half term to deepen and extend knowledge learnt in school. This needs to be handed in on SeeSaw / homework book / emailed to class teacher by **Monday 18th December**

The children will choose a library book from the school library every Friday to share at home. This is a sharing book and is to be enjoyed and shared together, it is not matched to their reading level.

'Billy Bear'

Each week one child will be chosen to bring 'Billy Bear' home for a weekend of fun and adventure. Billy will come home with some of our favourite books, for you to share as a family with a cup of hot chocolate. He will also come with his very own scrap book so you can draw or add a photo of your adventures from the weekend. We look forward to seeing all his adventures!

This is your topic homework for this half term, please pick and choose which activities you would like to complete. There is no set amount you need to do. You can add pictures onto Seesaw, email them to the class teacher or write/draw in the homework book by **Monday 18th December**.

Can you carry out an experiment to see which material is the most absorbent? Before you carry out the experiment can you predict which material you think will be the most absorbent?

Can you write your Christmas list for Father Christmas?

Can you follow a recipe and make something? Maybe you could bake some yummy cakes or help make dinner in the kitchen?

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Can you draw a picture of you and your friends and write a sentence to describe your similarities and differences?

Can you draw a map of your bedroom? You could use symbols or pictures.

Can you look at some photos with your family of different celebrations you have been to? Discuss which ones you liked the most and why.

We are very excited to see your projects! Please feel free to come up with your own project if you have a different idea. Please email projects to a class teacher or bring them to school by **Monday 18th December**. If you have any issues/queries or need support with resources, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Reading book reminder: Children will read their reading book three times each week in school, each session will have a different focus. This book that has been read in school will then be sent home on a Friday and will also be available as an e-book (please see information regarding e-book login details) for the children to practise at home. The children should be reading this at 97% accuracy. **Please return their book every Thursday ready for their new book to be sent home on Friday along with their library book and homework.**

Learning this half term

D.T

In D.T the children will be identifying fruits and learning about where fruits and vegetables grow. They will then design, make and evaluate their own smoothie. The children will learn to cut and juice fruits, pick with fruits they would like for their smoothie and make it! The children will then evaluate their recipes.

Science

The children will be learning about every day materials. They will learn to name objects and identify the materials they are made from. Recognise that objects are made from materials to suit their purpose. Recall that a property is how material can be described. The children will also carry out an experiment to see how waterproof the material is.

Music

The children will be practising the songs for the Nativity.

Geography

The topic for this half term is: what is it like to live in Shanghai? The children will be looking at physical and human features in our local area and comparing them to China. The children will also be looking at maps to locate where we live as well as where China is and they will draw their own simple map of our local area. They will begin to locate some continents on a map. Finally, they will learn about what it's like to live in Shanghai and compare to where we live.

Math's

This half term we are focusing on addition and subtraction within 10 and 2-D and 3-D shapes.

R.E

In R.E the children will be learning about what places are special and why. They will be exploring places that are special to them and explain why, be aware that some religious people have places which have special meaning for them, talk about things that are special and valued in a place of worship, identify some significant features of sacred places, recognise a place of worship, get to know and use appropriate words to talk about their thoughts and feelings when visiting a church. The children will also be learning about the Christian Christmas story.

PSHE

The topic for this half term is: 'Celebrating Differences'. The children will be identifying similarities and differences between the children in their class. Understand what bullying is and know what to do if they were feeling unhappy or being bullied. They will be learning ways to make new friends and can say how they are different to their friends.

Computing

In Computing the children will be focusing on how to group and sort things using a computer/ipad as well as Pictograms.

P.E

In P.E the children will be focusing on: Gymnastics and ball skills.

English

In English we will be reading a variety of books focusing on celebrations and learning about how different people celebrate different celebrations. We will also be looking at list poetry linked to our celebration theme. This will enable the children to produce some fantastic writing. The children will also continue to have Phonics lessons each day as well as reading practise sessions three times per week.



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