

Maths

YR – Measures-direct comparison, time-beginning to understand what time is, addition and subtraction and recording in simple number sentences, 3D shapes, collecting data, number and place value.

Y1-Measures-direct comparison, ordering, balancing, non-standard units, time-telling the time using o'clock and half past, using time, addition and subtraction to 20, 3D shapes and their properties, collecting and analysing data, number and place value.

Science-We will be learning about animals and growing things.

P.E. We will be practising ball skills and this will lead into team games. We will also be linking some of our P.E to our interest topics.

Geography-We will do learning to use our geographical skills to find our way around. This will involve lots of field work.

History-We will be thinking about food and drink. This will again link to our interest topics.

Art/DT We are busy designing and making our own hamsters and their homes. Later in the term we will be designing and making our own salads.

Music. Our music is linked to our interest topics and we will be enjoying lots of actions songs, rhymes and instrument playing.

R.E. This term our big questions will be linked to Sikhism.

Forest School.

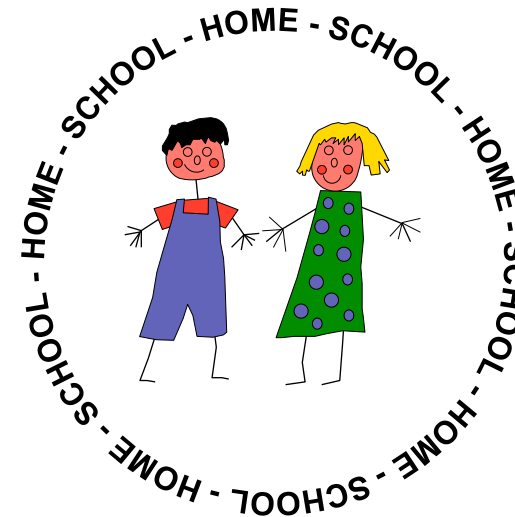
We will be following our own interests in our beautiful forest area each Thursday. Warm coats and wellies needed!

Homework Your child will receive homework each week. Please ensure homework is returned the following Wednesday.

GeneralP.E kits need to be in school every day. Please ensure your child has outdoor kit that fits them. Earrings must be removed on a Wednesday for our P.E afternoon. Wellies are needed in school for our outdoor learning.

We operate an open door policy in class one. Please come in and speak to us if you have any queries.

Townley School and Pre-School



Summer Term 2016

Class 1—Mrs Culyer

English

Year R Phonics-Year Reception –

Phonics. The children will be working on phase 4 of letters and sounds. They will be learning to read a range of high frequency and tricky words, which will support them in their reading. They will be practising lots of writing through this. The children love to use the phonics games available on www.phonicsplay.co.uk The school subscribes to this website but some elements are free and are well worth exploring with your child to help continue their phonetic development beyond the classroom.

Reading

Your child has been enjoying a range of texts in class. Formal reading books and diaries are in full use. We encourage you to share the reading book with your child at home. Please make a comment in their diary when you do this. A few minutes daily really does make all the difference. The expected level for the end of reception is level 8.

Remember 'Take 10' reading time is every Thursday morning. Thank you to all the parents that support us regularly and if you haven't been along yet we hope to see you soon. Toddlers/Babies welcome!

Literacy We will be learning about fantasy stories, fairy stories, instruction writing, recounts and poetry. We also have an indoor and outdoor reading/writing areas which we encourage the children to use.

Handwriting-Your child takes part in daily handwriting sessions which involve warming up their arms, wrists, hand and fingers before writing. The children complete exercises from their handwriting book which involve different types of lines and letters. Please practise writing with correct letter formation at home. This is now cursive-see sheet given out at parents evening.

English We will be learning about fantasy stories, fairy stories, instruction writing and poetry. We have a focus on hamsters and pets at the moment which will lead onto growing things as these are the children's interests.

Year 1 –

Phonics-Your child be consolidating the phase 5 phonemes learnt as well as learning the new phase 5 alternative phonemes for each sound. E.g. The letter 'a' can make four sounds-acorn, cat, fast, was. They will also be practising reading and spelling a range of tricky and high frequency words from phase 5. The children will learn about prefixes, suffixes, simple, compound and complex words. We will be practising for the phonics screening test in June where the children have to read sets of made up and real words using their phonological knowledge. The children love to use the phonics games available on www.phonicsplay.co.uk The school subscribes to this website but some elements are free and are well worth exploring with your child to help continue their phonetic development beyond the classroom. If you have any questions or would like to come and join us for a phonics session please do not hesitate to speak to me.

Reading

Children in year 1 will be taking part in a weekly guided reading/comprehension sessions to build up their confidence, develop their use of letters and sounds as well as word recognition. This session will also encourage lots of book talk.

We will listen to your child read in school as much as possible. This will include one teacher read a week. We require your daily support to help your child move forward. Remember to ask your child questions about what they are reading to check their understanding. Regular practise really does make all the difference. Please note the expected level for the end of year 1 is level 16. Please join us for 'Take 10' every Thursday at 9am.

Handwriting-see reception.

English-see reception. We will also be working towards personal and year one targets each time we write.