

Music

We will be learning some songs to sing around our campfire and we will be listening to and matching natural sounds from around our environment.

R.E. We will be learning about the festival Diwali and having our own afternoon of celebrations.

Forest School

We will be taking our topic learning out into our beautiful forest where we will be looking at trees and the changes of seasons.

Homework

Homework will be set each week on a Thursday and given in the following Wednesday.

General

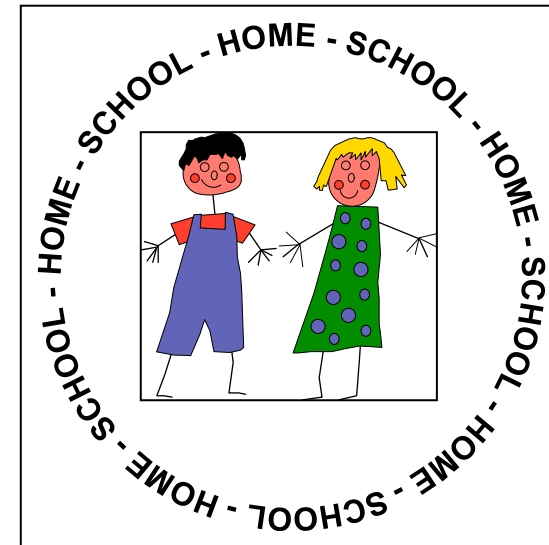
We are trying to enable the children to become independent learners, you can help them by ensuring they carry their own belongings into school in the mornings.

We will be spending a lot of time outside, it is important that the children bring a coat in everyday.

Wellies are needed in school for our outdoor learning. Spare wellies are always appreciated!

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



Autumn Term 2016

Class 1—Miss Lavender and Mrs Lawrence

English

All of the children will be taking part in activities based around our topic which will include writing about adventures and a visit from some fairies. In the lead up to Halloween the children will be writing their own spooky stories which they will then perform around a camp fire.

Phonics

Reception Phonics: Your children will be revisiting phase 1 in phonics where they will participate in listening activities and games. The children will be introduced to phase 2 where they will start learning a new phoneme every day.

Year 1 Phonics: Your children will revisit phases 3 and 4 to recap on what they learnt last year. We will also be revisiting tricky words, high frequency words and alien words.

Reading

Your child will take part in shared reading as well as individual reading at school. It is vital that you share reading experiences with your child as this will help them move forward with their reading. This can be done through reading your child their library book, getting them to spot the phonemes or tricky words they have been learning, or listening to your child read.

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!

Handwriting-

Your child will take part in daily sessions and opportunities to develop their cursive (joined) handwriting. This will involve your child writing on and with a range of materials such as paint and glitter along with more formal work with pencils.

Maths

Reception: This term the children will be learning number recognition to 20, 1 more/less, addition, subtraction and number writing.

Year 1: This term the children will be working on number and place value, addition and subtraction, and doubling and halving.

Science- We will be learning about how seasons change and looking at the weather. Along with this we will start to observe how plants change during different times of the year.

P.E. This term we will be focusing on developing our 'big' movements such as jumping, running and hopping. We will also be developing balance, agility and co-ordination and begin to apply these in a range of games and activities. P.E. kits will need to be in school every day. Earrings must be removed on a Wednesday for our P.E. lesson in the afternoon.

Geography- We will be exploring the human and physical features of our local area and we will be identifying seasonal and daily weather patterns.

History- We will be learning about famous explorers, including Christopher Columbus.

Art/DT We will be creating art out of various materials and will be using and exploring different textures and colours. We will be planning and creating our own camping essentials and thinking and evaluating what materials and components would be the best to use in our designs.