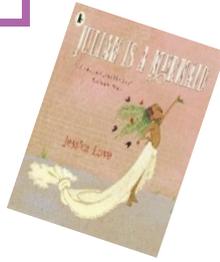


# What's happening in Year 1?

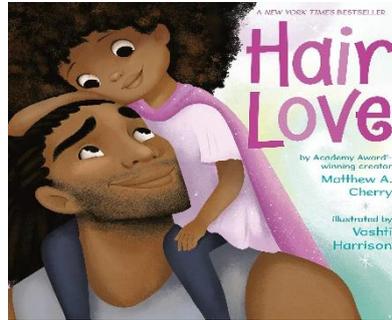
During this half term we will be exploring the theme 'What is Diversity?' We will investigate the concept of diversity through a range of stories such as 'It's ok to be different', 'Hair love' and 'Julian is a mermaid'.



## Phonics -

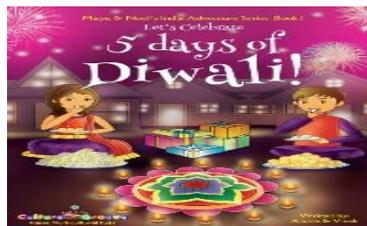
During Phonics lessons, we will continue to teach the Phase 5 sounds following our Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revision. You are invited to 'an introduction to Phonics in Year 1' parent workshop on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 9:00.

The workshop will last for one hour, where you will have the opportunity to learn about our Little Wandle phonics programme, watch your child's teacher deliver a phonics lesson to your child's class, and finally complete a phonics-based activity alongside your child in their classroom. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you for your continued support.



## What is Diversity?

**English** - During English lessons, we will be introducing the children to our writing toolkits and practicing applying key skills and techniques when writing. As part of our learning, we will be focusing on spelling common exception words correctly and using our phonics knowledge to write sentences with increasing accuracy.



**Maths** - In Maths, we will focus on fact families, addition and subtraction within 10 and number bonds to 10. We will also begin to explore a range of shapes. We encourage you to help your child to use Numbots at home to support their fluency.

Remember, talk is a great tool for learning so please encourage your child to talk about their learning.

We ask that you support your child by **continuing to hear them read each day at home and ask them questions about what they have read to ensure they have understood. Thank you!** Books will be sent home Fridays and need to be returned the following Wednesday.

## Important Days-

**PE & Forest School** - The children will continue to have PE and Forest School every Wednesday, please remember to bring in their PE kit (red t-shirt and black shorts; tracksuits can be worn in colder weather). Please ensure it is all named clearly.

## Homework -

We will continue to use Teams to add our weekly homework tasks on Thursdays. Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning.

**History** - During History lessons, we will be learning about the importance of Remembrance Day.

**DT** - In DT, we will be researching all about the Diwali festival and creating our own diva lamps to help us celebrate.

**Science** - During our Science lessons, we will continue learning about seasonal changes.

**PSHE** - In our PSHE lessons, we will be looking at relationships, recognising privacy, staying safe and seeking permission.

**RE** - During RE, we will explore light as a symbol linking this to Advent and Diwali.

**Computing** - During computing lessons, we will be using digital media to make pictures.

