

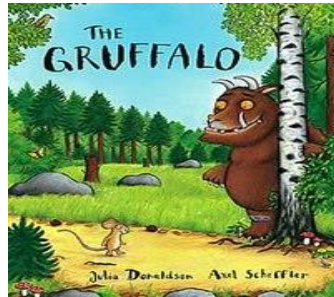
What's happening in Year 1?



During this half term we will be exploring the theme 'Where are you going to?' We will be talking about different journeys and thinking about maps and how they help us. We will also explore different features in our environment and identify common plants and trees.



During Phonics we will continue teaching the phase 5 sounds and learning alternative pronunciations and spellings. We will also continue to practice our hand writing the Little Wandle way. The children are becoming really confident at writing sentences independently using their sounds and knowledge of tricky words.



Where are you going to?

In Maths we will be continuing our focus of representing numbers to 50. We will learn how to choose appropriate strategies to solve a range of number problems. We will also explore length and height and mass and volume.

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

As part of our theme we will be looking at maps and learning to identify some key features of a location. We will also recognise human or natural physical features of our environment such as landmarks. We will be using positional language in order to give directions to travel and have the opportunity to follow our own map on a trip to Alice Holt.

The children will have access to a wide range of resources to help them understand the different types of journeys people go on. We will be using a selection of books such as *The Gruffalo*, *Stickman*, and *Grandads Island* to help us write our own fictional adventure stories, posters and postcards.

We would like to invite parents of children in Year 1 to join us every Tuesday morning between 8.30 - 8.45 to share a story with your child in their classroom. Stay & Read sessions will begin on Tuesday 20th February 2024 and run every week from then on.

Teams

We will continue to use Teams to add our weekly homework tasks. After feedback we have decided that the tasks will now be uploaded on a Friday and returned the following Friday. Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning.

Just a quick note to say thank you for all your kind messages and please come and speak to us at any time. You, your family and child are very important to us and we always want to work in partnership with you.



PE - Our PE and Forest School day is on a Wednesday. Please bring your child's PE bag into school on Monday morning so that is ready for your child to change into. Your children will bring them home Friday to be washed,