



Stow Heath Primary School—Year 1 Autumn Term Newsletter

Reading

This term our reading focus will be:

- A range of decodable texts.
- RWI phonics books
- Narrative - On the Sand, The Three Little Pigs, Lost toy Museum and The Diary of a Wombat.
- Non-Fiction—Letter to Father Christmas
- Poetry—Teddy Bears.



During story time and reading for pleasure will be exposed to a range of stories, non-fiction texts and poetry.

Writing

This term our writing focus will be:

- Sentence construction - A focus on the brilliant basics, using phonics and oral composition.
- Non-Fiction—Letter to Father Christmas
- Fiction— Sentences about the stories read or pictures seen.



Numeracy

This term our numeracy focus will be:

- Place Value to 10
- Addition and Subtraction within 10
- Shape

Mastering Number

- Subitising
- Number fluency
- Counting



Reminders:

PE days are Monday and Thursday. PE kit is a white T-shirt, black shorts/joggers, the school cardigan or jumper and trainers.

Reading books **MUST** come into school every day for daily reading. Reading books will be changed every Tuesday.

Spelling tests will be on a Monday. New spellings will be given out on a Tuesday.

How to help your child with their **reading** at home:

- Read your child's reading book daily.
- Discuss the reading book and ask questions that are in the back of the book.
- Practise the year 1 common exception words.

Help children with reading at home – follow this [link](#)

How to help your child with their **writing** at home:

- Practise letter formation
- Look at a picture, practise saying simple phrases or sentences that match.
- Practise writing the simple phrases or sentences using finger spaces, capital letters and full stops.

Help children with writing at home – follow this [link](#)

How to help your child with their **maths** at home:

- Practise number formation
- Practise counting forwards and backwards to 20.
- Practise addition and subtraction within 10.
- Learn the names of 2D and 3D shapes.

Help children with maths at home – follow this [link](#)

Key dates:

Inset day—6th November

27th October—break up for half term.

7th November—Return to school.

21st December (1pm)—break up for Christmas.

Science 1

Pupils will develop knowledge and skills when learning about humans and the senses.



Science 2

Pupils will develop knowledge and skills when learning about the uses of materials.



RE

Pupils will focus on Christianity today in Wolverhampton.



Our Topic this term is:

Houses and Homes

Geography

Pupils will develop geographical knowledge and skills related to identifying homes in the locality and around the world.



History

Pupils will develop historical knowledge and skills related to the topic about homes and toys in the past.



Music

Pupils will learn about old school Hip Hop, and Reggae music to focus on pulse, rhythm and pitch



DT

Pupils will develop DT knowledge and skills by constructing large scale buildings using a range of materials.



Art

Pupils will develop Art knowledge and skills in drawing by creating digital animations of Toy story characters.



PSHE

Pupils will focus on the themes Being In My World and Celebrating Difference.



ICT

Pupils will develop skills about online safety, grouping and sorting, creating pictograms, Lego builders and maze explorers



PE

Pupils will focus on fundamentals, team-building ball skills and dance.

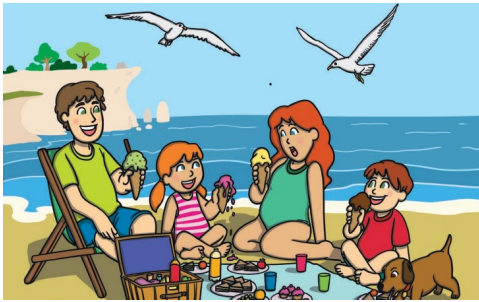


Literacy

Write 3 sentences based on the picture below.

Or...

Write a story about the picture below.



Art

Draw a picture of your favourite Disney character. Recreate this picture digitally using 2Paint on Purple Mash.

Music

Choose a piece of music in the style of Hip Hop. How does it make you feel?
Make a list of what instruments you can hear.

Homework Activities for Autumn 1

Choose at least one activity to do each week.

Bring it in to school so we can celebrate your learning whilst at home.

Geography

Research a type of home from anywhere in the world (igloo, Tepee, Mud house, Yurt). Draw a picture of it and label what it is made from. Would you like to live in this home?

DT

Can you use materials and resources from home to make a den. You could use bed sheets, blankets, chairs etc. Take a picture of it and bring it into class.

History

Choose a toy from home and research a toy from the past and draw a picture of them both. Can you write a sentence about what it is and how you play with it.

RE

Can you write a sentence about what God means to you.
Or...
Write a sentence about how you

Maths

Practise writing your numbers from 0 -20 in numerals and words.

Or...

Recall all the number bonds that make 10.

E.G:

$$8 + 2 = 10$$

$$7 + 3 = 10$$

PSHE

Create a poster about our school rules and how they keep us happy and safe. Make it eye-catching by adding pictures and bright colours!

ICT

Log in to Purple Mash and complete