

Ellesmere Primary School

Elson Road, Ellesmere, Shropshire, SY12 9EU

Telephone: 01691 622288 Email: admin@ellesmere-pri.shropshire.sch.uk

www.ellesmereprimaryschool.org.uk www.twitter.com/EllesmerePS

Acting Headteacher: Mr Stuart Roberts, BSc Hons, PGCE



Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to Spring Term in Year 1

We hope everyone had a lovely break over Christmas and are looking forward to all the activities we have already planned for this term. Last term we spent lots of time, making use of our fantastic outdoor learning environment.

Subjects



This term, in Maths we will be learning about the concept of measure and continuing to develop our calculation skills looking further into multiplication and division; an ongoing target this term for mental maths skills is to be able to recall multiplication facts for 2's, 5's and 10's (children will need to know these facts out of order to use in their mastery level work). In English, we will

be learning all about 'The Day the Crayons Quit' focusing on sentence using a variety of punctuation, alongside, an ongoing target in English for consistently spell high frequency and tricky words accurately within their Science, we will be learning about the four seasons, comparing clothing monitoring and record a daily weather chart. Children will be continuing investigative, exploration and observation skills. Our topic this term is be learning all about the countries which are in Europe and carrying out a homework project on a country of our choice.



structure and children to writing. In worn as well as to develop their 'Europe' we will

Homework

In Year 1 all children will continue to receive weekly homework which will include Maths, English and Reading. This will be set on a **Monday** and due back in the following **Friday**. It is an expectation that all children complete homework within this timeframe. It is expected that children read at home as often as possible but at least three times a week and this is to be recorded in their homework diary. Alongside weekly homework, we would also like children to complete a half termly project linked to their topic.

PE and Swimming

All Year 1 children need to have their PE kit in daily, this should include, black or blue shorts, white t-shirt, white socks and trainers or pumps. Paris and Madrid will be swimming every **Wednesday** (please ensure children bring in their own swimming hats, boys should have swimming trunks and girls one piece swimming costumes). If your child is not swimming a written note will need to be provided in the morning and your child will sit at the side of the pool while the rest of the class swims.



Ellesmere Primary School

Elson Road, Ellesmere, Shropshire, SY12 9EU

Telephone: 01691 622288 Email: admin@ellesmere-pri.shropshire.sch.uk

www.ellesmereprimaryschool.org.uk www.twitter.com/EllesmerePS

Acting Headteacher: Mr Stuart Roberts, BSc Hons, PGCE



Class Dojo- This term we will be continuing to use Class Dojo as the main means of communication between school and parents; sharing activities and upcoming events on the Class Story. Just a reminder that teachers have quiet hours on Class Dojo and will not reply to messages after 6pm and before 8am or at the weekend.

Phonics Screening – At the start of June all children in Year 1 will be taking the phonics screening check. On parents evening we will go through an example of the check and some further information for you.

Parent workshops

On Wednesday 7th February, we would like to invite you to our parent workshops, this half term's focus will be phonics and in preparation for the forthcoming phonics screening. If you would like to pop in and see how you can support your child, our doors will be open at 9am and again at 6pm.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to come a talk to us. We are very excited about the year ahead in Paris and Madrid.

Mrs Davies & Miss Vaughan

