



## Year 1 Deal Term 2 Curriculum Letter

Welcome back Deal Class. I hope you all had a fun and exciting half-term and are ready to be motivated monkeys for Term 2!

We have so many action-packed things going on this term hand I just can't wait to share them with you. I can't believe how quickly term 1 flew by and I am so impressed with each of you with how well you have embraced Year 1 and the happy hippos you all are.

Miss Burton





Our maths learning focus for this term is addition and subtraction. We will be focusing on adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers, looking at the inverse and missing number sentences. Also, we will be practising our fluency of number bonds to 20 with a particular focus on counting in 2s.

Alongside this we will be learning about the days of the week and the months of the year. Also, we will be discussing positional direction with the language of a quarter, half, three quarters and a whole turn.

To support the children's learning I would be extremely grateful if you were to encourage this talk at home. It can be as simple as in the morning on the journey to school 'What is the day today? What month are we in?''.



Our text for this term is 'Where the Wild Things Are'. We will be reading the story together and acting out certain aspects of the story. We are going to change the setting and think of lots of adjectives to rewrite the adventure in our new setting.

We will also be looking at a firework poem which we will then act out with sounds and actions. In groups we will then write our own firework poem. Finally, we are doing an explanation text about what happens when the seasons change. Children will get an opportunity to write their own text.



### Science

Our science for this term is focusing on weather. We are going to use our scientist brains and create a weather gauge where we can track rainfall over a period of time. We will be exploring the cold, including the question how does the cold effect natural materials around us?

# Topmarks

To support your children's maths learning there are lots of games on Top Marks!

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/

When using the internet at home, please encourage your child to use the safe search engine **Kiddle.** www.kiddle.co/

This site is run by Google and has safe search functions built into it to help protect children.





#### **Reminders:**

- PE kits for PE lessons on Fridays, earrings should be left at home.
- Daily reading recorded in planners and signed. Don't forget to read on a Wednesday for Buster's book club minutes.



- Home learning is issued termly and can be handed in when completed.
- Correct uniform please, including shoes. Boots may be worn during the winter months. Any problems or concerns, please write a note in the student's home contact book.
- Please check the school calendar for upcoming events.
- Earring need to be plain silver or gold studs.
- Please label your children's clothes clearly

### **Seasonal Journeys**

In creative curriculum this term, we are going to be learning about Guy Fawkes' and the Gun Powder Plot.

We will be exploring the weather and how the seasons change our environment. For example, the colour of leaves. We will even practise reading a rain gauge and role play a weather reporter. We are exploring natural art and how we can use this to recreate different artwork.

In Art/DT...

We are going to be creating artwork using natural materials such as twigs, stones and leaves. We will be exploring different natural textures and how they look on paper. Finally, we will be doing natural weaving using flowers, grass and leaves.

In RE...

We will be talking about how Jesus is important to Christians and how he performed miracles.

We will also be discussing the importance of prayers.

We will be discussing about who God is and his importance to Muslims.

In Music...

We are going to be creating and performing songs and word pattern charts.

In Computing...

We will be discussing how to report something if we are feeling worried online. We will also be talking about how to behave online, how we should talk to people and show good netiquette.

We will be looking at the similarities and differences of a tablet, laptop and desktop computer.

In PSHE...

Our key question for this term is 'Who is special to us?'

We will be discussing lots of different topics including our family and those people who care about us and also how they care for us. We will also be discussing how all families have similarities and differences and that we are not all the same. In class, we will be able to discuss what the children like doing with their family at the weekend and in the school holidays.

Thank you for reading our newsletter.

If there is anything you would like to discuss, please contact me via your child's contact book or our class email year1@stmartins.kent.sch.uk.