



## Old Palace Year 1 Newsletter Autumn

Year 1: Mrs Dias-Patel/Mr Manalo Teachers: Ms Chowdhury (1C) and Mr Thomson (1T) PPA Ms White  
Support Staff: Ms Ahmed, Ms Mirza, Ms Begum, Ms Selina

### Maths

Please see below the order of the topics the children will be focusing on this half term:

- Shapes** – Children will explore 2D shapes, focusing on their sides and corners, and 3D shapes, looking at their faces, edges, and corners. They will use real-life objects to help children recognize these shapes.
- Number and Place Value**- Teach children to recognise, count, and compare numbers up to 20, focusing on understanding each number's place value (tens and ones).
- Subtraction and addition**- Children will be understanding and focusing on subtraction and addition, using the part whole method to begin with and then moving onto counting back on a number line.

#### Useful Link:

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/maths/primarygeometry-shapes/geometry-shapes-year-1-age-5-6/>

### English

Please see below the order of topics the children will be focusing on this half term:

- Familiar Settings**- Using the book 'But Martin!' the children will be continuing to develop their story writing skills based around familiar settings.
- Information Texts**- Linked with their topic unit and trip, the children will be writing a fact file about schools from the past and present.
- Poetry**- Using the Poem 'This is the Alligator', the children will perform their own poems through actions and words.

### Other Subjects

- Art**- Vincent Van Gogh
- Music**- Exploring Sounds
- Computing**- Use of Computers
- History** – Schools in the Past
- Geography**- Plans, maps and local land use
- RE**- Who is a Christian and what do they believe?
- PE**- Dance, Attack, defend and shoot
- PSHE**- Celebrating Differences

### School Business Manager

We have appointed a new school business manager. We welcome Anita Kirnon to the Old Palace team and look forward to working with her!

### Key dates

- Children in Need:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup>- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November
- Decodable and Phonics Workshop** – 20<sup>th</sup> November
- Anti-Bullying Week:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November
- Odd Socks Day:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November
- Year 1 Nativity Assembly:** Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December
- Parent Consultations**- December TBC

### Trips

This half term year 1 will be visiting the Ragged School Museum, where they will attend a school workshop during the Victorian times!

**Date:** 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024- 1C  
29<sup>th</sup> November 2024- 1T

Cost of the trip: £4

They will also be visiting Bow Church to learn about Christmas on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

### PE

Children in Year 1 need to bring their PE bag on Tuesdays and Thursdays. PE will be outdoors on Tuesdays, so please ensure they have suitable winter kit and trainers.

### Vocabulary

Word of the day: here are the new vocabulary words we will be introducing to the children this half term. You may wish to practice these words at home!

Week 1	cobra	eerie	collectable	performer
Week 2	cavern	woven	isolated	outstanding
Week 3	gadget	murky	environment	gale
Week 4	pouch	efficient	creative	swamp
Week 5	padlock	hefty	continue	barber
Week 6	jewel	monstrous	emergency	ocean
Week 7	harbour	quicksand	delighted	anchor

### Anti-Bullying Week

This year Anti-Bullying Week will take place from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, with Odd Sock Day taking place on the Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November! The theme for Anti-Bullying week this year is 'Respect'. All week children will be taking part in activities to raise awareness about bullying. We also have a parent coffee morning on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 9:10am, where Mrs Bowley will be talking through our Bullying procedures at Old Palace and what the children will be learning about throughout the week.

### Children in Need Week

Next week we will be raising money for Children in Need. In addition, we also be carrying out fund raising for the charity 'Doctors without Borders,' which provides medical support outside the UK. The School Council have put together a fantastic plan to raise money for these causes. A number of events have been organized to help raise as much money as possible, and with your help, we hope to beat last year's amazing total!

### Oracy Targets

**Year 1 Oracy Targets this half term are:**

**Describing:** Talk about experiences in simple sentences using describing words.

**Performance:** Act out familiar stories, speaking clearly on stage and using actions to show character.