



Old Palace Year 1 Newsletter Spring 1

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Phonics

Below are some useful links to support with phonics at home.

<https://www.the-partnership.org.uk/school-improvement/the-partnership-phonics-programme>

Scroll to the bottom of the page to find pronunciation guides for the sounds and the grapheme information page.

Maths

Please see below the maths topics this half term:

- 1. Numbers up to 20-** the children will be looking at addition and subtraction up to 20, as well as learning their number bonds to 20.
- 2. Measures-** The children will compare and measure height and length accurately using number knowledge, ruler scales, and key vocabulary.
- 3. Place Value to 50-** the children will look at numbers up to 50 and what they represent.

Useful Links:

<https://pbskids.org/peg/games/hungry-pirates/count/helicopter-rescue>

English

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

- 1. Adventure Stories-** During this unit, the children will be using the story 'The Pirates Next Door', to help write their own story with a clear beginning, middle and end.

Information texts- The children will be learning all about different explorers. They will write an information text on Amelia Earhart and Neil Armstrong, as well as learning about Matthew Henson and Captain Scott.

Trips

This half term year 1 will be learning about **Explorers**. To support them with their learning they will be visiting the Cutty Sark to take part in a workshop, finding out about adventures and understanding ship life.

Date: 1T Monday 20th January 2025

1W Monday 3rd February 2025

Cost of the trip: £3



PE

The children need to bring in their PE bag each day when they have PE. Year 1 have PE on a **Tuesday and Thursday** please ensure they have the appropriate kit and footwear.

Other Subjects

Music- Exploring Duration

Art- Aboriginal Art

Computing- My Story

History – Explorers

Geography- The continents & oceans, four compass points

RE- Who is a Christian and what do they believe in?

PE- Gymnastics and Hit, Catch and Run

PSHE- Dreams and Goals

Speaking & Listening Targets

This half term's target is asking questions and group work.

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 2	glacier	nightmare	unexpected	boulder
Week 3	channel	coastline	protective	in between
Week 4	astronomer	boasting	idyllic	under
Week 5	cannon	creaked	filthy	over

