

Somerford Primary School

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Dear Parents

Welcome to the Autumn Term 1. We have got lots of amazing learning planned for this half term and lots of opportunities for the children to develop their skills across the whole curriculum. We have been so proud of how well the children have settled back into school after such a long time away!

As you are aware, there are still some Covid restrictions in place in school. All children should be in school (at the back gate) at 08:40 and we finish at 3:05. Please ensure your child brings a water into school every day especially as at the moment the weather is being very kind! Fruit is still available to Year 1 children for snack time but if you prefer to provide your child with a snack please ensure that it is healthy.

This half term our topic is called "Superheroes" and our focus book in English is 'Eliot Jones the Midnight Superhero'. We will also be learning all about 'Every Day Materials' as part of our Science Curriculum as well as using fieldwork and observational skills in Geography to study the grounds of our school as well as learning direction language such as near, far, left and right. In PSHE our topic is 'Being in my World' which will focus on the school rules and our community. In Maths we will learn about number and place value and addition and subtraction. In Music we will be following the Charanga program and learning the song 'Hey You'. In computing our learning will be focused on how to stay safe online.

We will be continuing with the RWI programme this term. Your child will still bring home the RWI book they are reading in RWI sessions and another book at the same level to read with you. Please ensure your child brings their books into school every day. They will need to leave them in their book bags unless they are told to change them by a member of staff.

PE this term will be on a Monday and Tuesday for 1AR. Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school and warm clothing, as one of our PE sessions will be outside.

Other key dates to remember are:

Friday 1st October- School closure for staff training. Monday 11th October- WOW day, dress up as a SuperHero. Thursday 14th October- School photographer. Monday 25th Friday 30^{th-} October Half Term.

Finally, please do continue to hear your child read at least 3 times a week (in line with the Home Learning Policy) and record it on Marvellous Me. Also, please ensure your child uses TTRS and Spellzone at least 3 times a week. By the end of Year 1, your child should know their 2x and 5x tables confidently. Daily practise really does make a huge difference!

As ever, should you have any concerns or questions please arrange to meet with me or you can even send me an email.

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Many thanks for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ramos

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