

# Hazel and Sycamore Class



## Term 1

**Reading** - Aim to read to your child at least once a week, and **have them read to you at least five times a week!**

We will change books on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**, if the reading log has been signed. It is OK if your child has to read the same book to you twice, as there are many comprehension skills gained by repeated reading. Remember that every read earns your child a step up on the reading ladder as they aim to get a reading certificate.

In **RE**, in Term One we will be looking at what Christians believe about God, using stories from the Bible as a reference.

In **History**, we will be looking at the life of Mae Jemison, celebrating Black History Month during October.

In **Music**, we will be looking at the difference between pulse and rhythm.

In **ICT**, we will be learning about E-safety.

In **PSHE**, we will be learning about boundaries and expectations.

In **DT**, we will be designing, making and evaluating a sandwich to take to the South Pole to follow our English focus story.

## Welcome back to school and to Year One!

It's good to see you. Can we remind you to ensure your child's belongings are named, as it is very hard to match items to owners.

We can't wait to get stuck into our learning this year and don't forget your water bottles!

Please take a look at the school website and Seesaw.

On there, you will find your Home Learning Project for Term 1, as well as lots of links and resources in order to support your child's learning!



Term 1 and 2 Connected Learning title is:

### 'What can we find in our school?'

In **Science**, the children will be exploring each of their five senses. This will involve using each sense to investigate how it is used and compare their findings.

Each sense will be explored each week, with objectives such as 'What factors affect our sense of taste?' (where we will be tasting food, blind folded). Also, looking at our sense of sight, testing whether everyone sees the same image in an optical illusion.



In **Maths**, this term will have a large focus on number work as we try to establish a good foundation for the rest of the year. We will be looking at place value, including one more, one less, representing numbers, counting on from a given number, counting forwards and backwards, comparing numbers and how to use a number line.

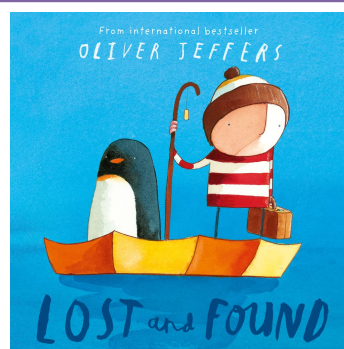
In **PE**, we will be concentrating on agility, balance and co-ordination.

We will be developing our ball skills throwing and catching.

**Our PE days are:**

**Sycamore: Wednesday & Friday**  
**Hazel: Wednesday & Friday**

In **Geography**, we will look at the geography of our school grounds. We will also look at weather patterns in our country and study the North and south Poles.



In **English**, our story will be 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. We will focus on segmenting, using our phonic knowledge when attempting to write words and simple sentences. We will practice using high frequency words in our writing, spelling them correctly. Looking carefully at the language used in the story and describing the characters. By the end of the unit, we will write a story, with a beginning, middle and end based on the story.

This term the children will be focussing on our Christian Value 'Koinonia'. 'May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all'

2 Corinthians 13:14