



Uffington Church of England Primary School Year 1/2 Class Newsletter – Spring 1

Welcome

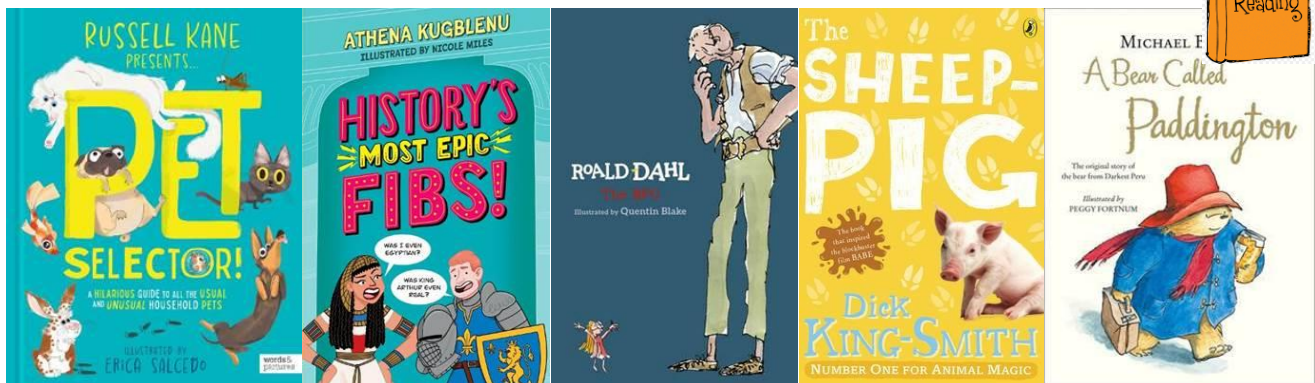
Welcome to the KS1 newsletter for Spring Term 1. We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and wish you a happy new year! We are looking forward to the new term ahead.

Phonics and Reading

Phonics

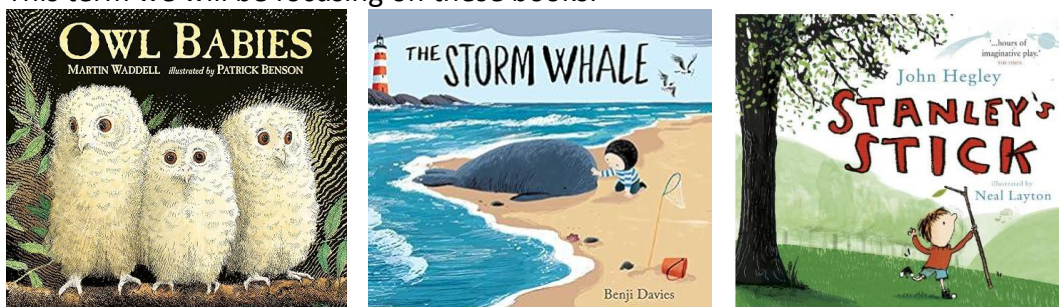
Following the Little Wandle Phonics scheme the children will be learning Phase 5 sounds learning new digraphs, trigraphs and tricky words. The children will also be continuing to segment and blend and read words. We will be learning alternative spellings for the same sound (e.g. ow / ou).

Recommended reads:



Writing

This term we will be focusing on these books:



We will be learning how to write a narrative: one linked to The Storm Whale and later in the term, another one linked to Owl Babies. We will write character descriptions, setting descriptions and a story, which we will then perform linked to the story of Stanley's Stick. We will develop our knowledge of punctuation and grammar in our daily Active English sessions. Year 1 will develop their spelling knowledge in our daily Little Wandle Phonics lessons and Year 2 will continue to develop and extend their spelling knowledge and skills in our daily Active Spelling sessions.

Maths

In maths this term we will be focusing on addition and subtraction (within 100) and then moving on to multiplication and division (focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 x tables).





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Science

Our focus will be: habitats. This will involve identifying some of the characteristics of living things, recognising the difference between things that are dead, alive or that have never been alive. We will work scientifically to classify objects and identify plants and animals. We will find out how a habitat provides animals and plants with what they need to survive.



Art

In art we will be using clay and making a 3D structure. We will record our ideas in our sketch books and begin to bring our ideas to life using clay. We will develop skills using our hands and tools to create shape and texture.



Computing

In computing this term the children will be learning how to create digital paintings.



Music

The focus this term in music will be on the Music Express units of work: animals and pattern. We will be learning new songs and how to use the percussion instruments.



PE

Our PE days this year are Thursday and Friday. Year 1 will be swimming every Friday and Year 2 will be doing net and wall games and yoga. Please make sure that your child comes to school 'swim ready' on a Friday (including underwear in their bag!)



PSHE

In PSHE during both Spring Terms, the children will be learning about living in the wider world, belonging to a community, learning about media, literacy and digital resilience and the importance of working to earn money.



RE

In RE the children will be learning about the role of God in Islam.



Homework

All: Please listen to your child reading at least three times per week and make a note of this in their Reading Record book. Enjoy sharing the reading for pleasure book that your child has chosen together. Please make sure that your child's books and reading records are in their book bags and come into school daily.

Y1: Please practise number bonds to 10 and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Y2: Please practise number bonds to 10, 20 and 100. Practise the 2, 5 and 10 x tables up to 12 x for each one.





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Rewards

The children will receive 'House Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude.

They will also earn Gold Stars for being kind and courteous.



Class information

Class Teachers: Mrs Clayton (Monday – Wednesday) and Mrs Ludford (Thursday and Friday)

Supported by: Mrs Staite

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

We request that all children bring a coat and a named water bottle to school every day. Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

Dates for the diary!



Spring 1

Monday 6th January – School reopens to pupils

Friday 10th January – Whole school worship in Church – 2.00-3.00pm

Monday 3rd February – Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 11th February – Safe Internet Day

Wednesday 12th February – EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Parents Evening – 4.00-6.30pm

Thursday 13th February - February – KS1 & KS2 Parents Evening – 4.00-6.30pm

Friday 14th February - W Whole school worship in Church – 2.00-3.00pm

Friday 14th February – School closes for Half Term

