



**Have a lovely Christmas and we
will see you in the new year.**

Who is who in Key Stage One?

Mr Killick - KS1 Leader

Year 1

Miss Jeffery - Ladybird Class Teacher

Miss Kimble - Willow Class Teacher

Mrs Dove - Year 1 Nursery Nurse

Mrs Staddon - Year 1 Teaching Assistant

Year 2

Mrs Leadbeater - Maple Class Teacher

Mrs Morris - Maple Class Teacher

Miss Sutton - Tadpole Class Teacher

Mrs Metcalfe, Mrs Cheema and Mrs Shipp - Year 2
Teaching Assistants

KEY STAGE ONE CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents who helped their children to learn their lines, supplied costumes and heard the songs practised lots of times at home.

I'm sure you will agree, the performances were a huge success and the children absolutely loved it. Thank you to all the parents who came and supported their children; we hope you enjoyed it!

CLOTHING

Please ensure that every item of your child's uniform is named, including PE kits, so it is easy to assign them to the correct child if they get lost.

Appropriate outdoor and indoor kit should be in school at all times as timetables can change throughout the week.

Important Dates

Below are the important dates for this half term. Please check texts and the school website for updates and changes as dates could change.

January 2019:

Value - Courage

Thursday 10th - Pantomime Visit

February 2019:

Value - Love

Wednesday 13th - Royal Dress Up and Royal Ball

Friday 15th - Non-School Uniform Day

Friday 15th - Headteacher's Treat

February Half Term: Monday 18th - Friday 22nd

Teacher Training Day - Monday 25th February

Children back in school - Tuesday 26th February

Pantomime Trip

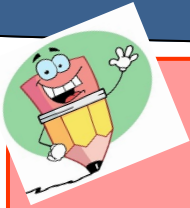
As you are aware, the pantomime trip to see Robin Hood will happen on **Thursday 10th January 2019**. The children will have their lunch as normal but at the earlier time of 11:35am. We will then depart from school, promptly, at 12:15pm.

We will then leave the MK Theatre, straight after the performance and aim to be back at school for 3.45pm at the latest. Please ensure that you have returned the permission form and made a voluntary contribution of £15 either into the school office or via ParentPay.

Thank you.



Spring 1 Topic - Kings and Queens



English

In Year 1, the children will be learning the story of 'Sleeping Beauty'. The children will then innovate the story in order to retell and write their own royal themed story.

Year 2 will be continuing their Meerkat Mail work by learning about the structure and content of non-chronological reports. The children will be learning a non-chronological report about meerkats. They will then be making up their own animals and writing a non-chronological report about it.

Maths



Year 1 will continue working with numbers to 100 and identifying the value of each digit in a 2-digit number. Your child will then move onto learning about multiplication and division using our knowledge of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Year 2 will be learning how to solve division calculations using sharing and grouping as well as using their multiplication facts. The children will then use these skills to solve problems to find fractions of shapes and amounts.

Computing



In Year 1, the children are going to be exploring a range of educational apps on the iPads. They are going to learn how to use the apps in different areas of the curriculum to support their learning.

Year 2 are going to learn how to use Scratch Junior in order to create their own story. This will involve the children programming characters to retell a story of their choice. The children will learn about algorithms and debugging when mistakes are made. Scratch Junior is a free app that can be downloaded onto your devices at home.

Science

In Science, both year groups are going to learn about materials. In Year 1, the children will be learning about the properties of different materials and use this knowledge to group everyday objects. Year 2 will build on their Year 1 knowledge and discuss the specific uses of different materials and why they are used.

History

During Spring 1, the children are going to be learning about famous British monarchs throughout history.

The children will be learning lots of interesting facts about Henry VIII, George VI and Queen Elizabeth II as well as finding out about the future monarchs.



Design Technology

Both year groups will be making puppets next half term. The children will be designing and making a puppet based on a member of the Royal Family. Your child will be learning the skill of designing, cutting, sewing and evaluating their product.

Royal Ball

To finish our Kings and Queens topic, we will be having a Royal banquet and ball on **Wednesday 13th February 2019**. On this day, your child can come to school dressed as a king, queen, princess or prince. The children will be doing fun activities in the morning before having a royal themed banquet and ball in the hall in the afternoon.

