

Learning Logs, Homework and Reminders

- **Reading Logs**—Children are required to change their books at least once a week. Place support your child with reading at home and sign their diaries.
- **Homework**—Homework is handed out each week on a Friday and must be returned to school by **Tuesday**.
- **Reminders**—All reminders are sent out through **texts**.

Music , Art and PE

- **Music**— In music this term we will be linking our learning to our topic Day and Night. We will also be learning songs from different cultures starting with Jamaica.
- **Art**— In art this term, children will be making real life sculptures in the shape of an Owl, this links to our writing story book.
- **PE**—In PE this term we focusing on Dance, Gymnastics and Yoga with out fantastic BADU coaches **Reminder: PE is on Fridays. Children MUST wear their PE kits to school.**

Phonics

How Can I Help My Child at Home?

- Play lots of sound and listening games with your child.
- Read as much as possible to and with your child.
- Encourage and praise – get them to have a 'good guess'.
- If your child is struggling to decode a word, help them by encouraging them to say each sound in the word from left to right.
- Blend the sounds by pointing to each one, e.g. /c/ in cat, /p/ in pat, /ng/ in sing, /ee/ in been.
- Discuss the meaning of words if your child does not know what they have read.

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Year 1 Skylarks Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year One:

We hope you had a fantastic Easter break! Year One had an excellent half term's learning in Spring 2 and we are looking forward to starting new topics this half term.



Adults Working in Year One

Skylarks—Miss Ahmed and Miss Thomas

Our Campaign this half term is

How can we keep safe in the sun?

Year One are going to be focusing on staying safe in the Sun this half term. They will be promoting sun safety across the school as well as raising money to buy items to keep us safe in the sun.

You can find out more about staying safe in the sun at <https://www.sunsafeschools.co.uk/>



Gainsborough Keeps

Excellence in learning. Always striving.

**Keep Kind
Keep Green
Keep Healthy
Keep Connected
Keep Safe
Keep Giving**



This half term we are focusing on Keep Green. We will raise awareness of environmental issues, participate in Earth Day and take part in a class project to Keep Green. Follow the school's Instagram page to find out more!

@gainsborough_hackney



Reading

- In Year One, we use to RWI programme to support reading.
- Our class reader is Janet and Allan Ahlberg– Funny Bones, Baby on Board and Peepo.
- To support your child at home, please do read with your child as often as you can. This can include them being read to as well as listening to them.
- Children can also access **Bug Club** . The username will be the first 4 letters of their first name followed immediately by the first 4 letters of their surname. If you have difficulties logging on, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Ahmed.

Maths

In maths this half term we are covering

- **Measurement**
Measure and begin to record the following:
lengths and heights
mass/weight
capacity and volume
- **Multiplication and Division**
Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2.5 and 10 multiplication tables
Be able to recognise odd and even numbers
Solve problems involving multiplication and division, using materials, arrays, repeated addition
- **Fractions**
Recognise, find, write and name fractions
Write simple fractions

Curriculum

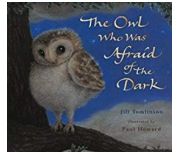
Topic -this term is all about the Day and Night. We are looking at the different light sources and whether they are Natural or Artificial (man-made).

Science -We will be learning about seasons. We have been learning about the 4 seasons and will be doing some experiments to observe different types of weathers!



Writing

In writing this term we will be focusing on a range of writing styles:
Our writing this half term will be linked to our topic work on **Day and Night**. We will be using **The Owl who was afraid of the Dark** story book to inspire our writing. Our writing genres this term will be:



- **Narrative**– Retell the story using own ideas/ change of characters.
- **Poetry**—pattern, rhyme & description (based on light and night).
- **Information Text**– To write about nocturnal and diurnal animals.

Punctuality

It is really important to get to school on time. In soft start we learn spellings and phonics and if pupils arrive after 9am then they will not be able to do the spelling test each week as well as other children.

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Rights Respecting Schools

We are a rights respecting school which means we place the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child at the heart of our ethos and curriculum. This half term we are focusing on:

