

Term 2 - 'Why Didn't Granny Have an iPad?'



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Dear Parents/Carers,

We had a very busy first term and the children have settled into year 1 really well. This term we are going to continue learning about old and new toys. The children will continue to investigate old and new toys, and how they have changed over time. In Science we will also be looking at the environment around us and studying seasonal changes. The children will have the opportunity to make their own hand puppets in DT.

In RE we will continue learning about Judaism before learning about Christian traditions at Christmas time.

In Computing, we are going to be designing and making our own digital cards. During Art lessons the children will be creating lots of Christmas art and applying their painting skills. A grid showing the subjects areas covered this term is at the bottom of this letter.

We will also be rehearsing for our Christmas Nativity, which we are very excited about! (Children and teachers alike!)

IMPORTANT MESSAGES:

- We will be doing PE on a Monday and Thursday this term. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school every day.
- Please ensure your child brings a coat into school every day now that the weather has turned colder and wetter!
- We will be changing the children's reading books on a Monday and Thursday but please continue bring contact books (with their reading book) to school every day. Now that the children are settled in year 1 they are expected to bring their contact books and home learning into class by themselves, we do not have time to look through every book bag unfortunately.

Reading

Please try to hear your child read as often as possible. 5 minutes each night is more beneficial than one longer session. Even the most confident readers benefit from reading aloud to an adult as well as reading silently to themselves. If you complete additional reading at home let us know too.

Homework

In response to some requests, we will continue to send home additional, **optional** home learning to practice things such as letter and number formation and reading/spelling tricky words. As stated this is optional, so please don't feel you must complete these tasks.

Thank you for your continued support,
Please come and see us if you have any questions or queries.

Miss Lucas and Mrs Eames



History	What were toys like long ago?
Science	Seasonal changes, materials and their properties.
Art	Drawing, mark-making, painting and Christmas Art
RE	Judaism
PSHE	Getting on and Falling Out!
Music	Christmas Production
PE	Gymnastics with Team Theme Coach - Mr Smith Dance - Choreography and rehearsal of Christmas Production
Computing	Making a digital card
DT	Making hand puppets

Finally...

If there are any grandparents or older relatives who would like to come in and share their experiences of toys in the past we would absolutely love to hear from you! Please contact Miss Lucas to arrange a date to visit Seahorse class ©