

# Year 1 Topic Letter

Welcome back to school!  
Teachers: Miss Rafferty Miss Aujila

## Our topics:

Topic:

Swamps We will explore their knowledge of Fairy Tales and use the well know characters to investigate materials for The Three Little Pigs. They will help Shrek find his Swamp by using map skills and exploring their imagination.

Poles Apart Your child will venture around the world to find Penguins, investigate and research the weathers of the world. They will explore work to save the Penguins from Global Warming! And so much more!

Science: Seasonal changes and Animals. We will be looking outside for evidence of changes that occur over the season. The children will then move on to learning about a variety of animal species and how they adapt for their environment. Things will also turn fishy...!

RE/SMSC. We will focus on the Creation of Earth. Thinking about: Does God want Christians to look after the world? Does the world belong to God? Should people take care of the world? Children will then move onto Christmas story.

ICT The children will continue to use new technology throughout the term using safe search engines to research our topics and produce information fact files. Our focus will be based around digital programming and using simple programming apps.

## Art and Music

During our creative afternoon children will learn an array of techniques to produce portraits and look at a variety of artists. The children will also be experimenting with musical instruments to create a Shrek inspired performance.

## Important Dates this Term

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September –  
Homework begins.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October –  
Magical Book Day!  
(more details to follow)

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October &  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October - Parents Evenings.

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term Break.

## You can help by:

Ensuring your child brings their book bag to school everyday.

Support your child with their reading and by listening to them on a regular basis.

Ensure you sign your child's reading record. This will be rewarded with a bookmark sticker and house point. Children who have not read for 2 consecutive weeks will lose their playtime until the book is signed.

Checking that all items worn and taken to school are clearly named, this will help when finding misplaced items.

Help your child with their homework and making sure it is completed and returned on time- each Monday!

If your child is struggling with their homework please do not hesitate to come and speak to a member of the staff in Year 1.

