

## Year 1 Newsletter Summer 1

Welcome back from the Easter holiday. We are very much looking forward to the half term ahead. If you have any concerns or questions, please speak to either your child's class teacher or teaching assistant, as our doors are always open and we are here to help.

### LITERACY

This half term we will focus on the theme under the sea. We will be reading the book 'Commotion in the Ocean' by Giles Andreae. We will read the story together, explore the vocabulary used and think about what might happen next. To help us learn the poems, we will re-tell them through drama and recite them orally, before writing our own version. In addition, we will be exploring predictable and patterned language, rhyme and writing reports about animals.

Throughout our written work, we will practise *thinking* a sentence, *saying* a sentence, *writing* a sentence and finally *checking* our sentence.

Key vocabulary:

beginning	middle	ending
nouns	adjectives	verbs
predict	rhyme	

### Mathematics

We will be starting this half term by applying the knowledge and skills we gained last half term to our learning on addition and subtraction. In order to achieve this we will be focussing on learning addition and subtraction facts to 10 fluently, and using these to derive related facts up to 20. We will also keep practising our 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

In addition, we will also be looking at recognising money and beginning to learn to tell the time.

**Homework** for maths will be set using Mathematics on a weekly basis. Times tables will continue to be a key focus and you can help your child by practising these with them.

Key vocabulary:

add	addition	subtract	subtraction
total	sum	part	whole
ones			tens

unit	centimetre	distance
length	height	weight
capacity	balanced	



### SCIENCE

This half term, year 1 will be looking at animals. We will identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. We will also learn to identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.





# Other Curriculum Areas

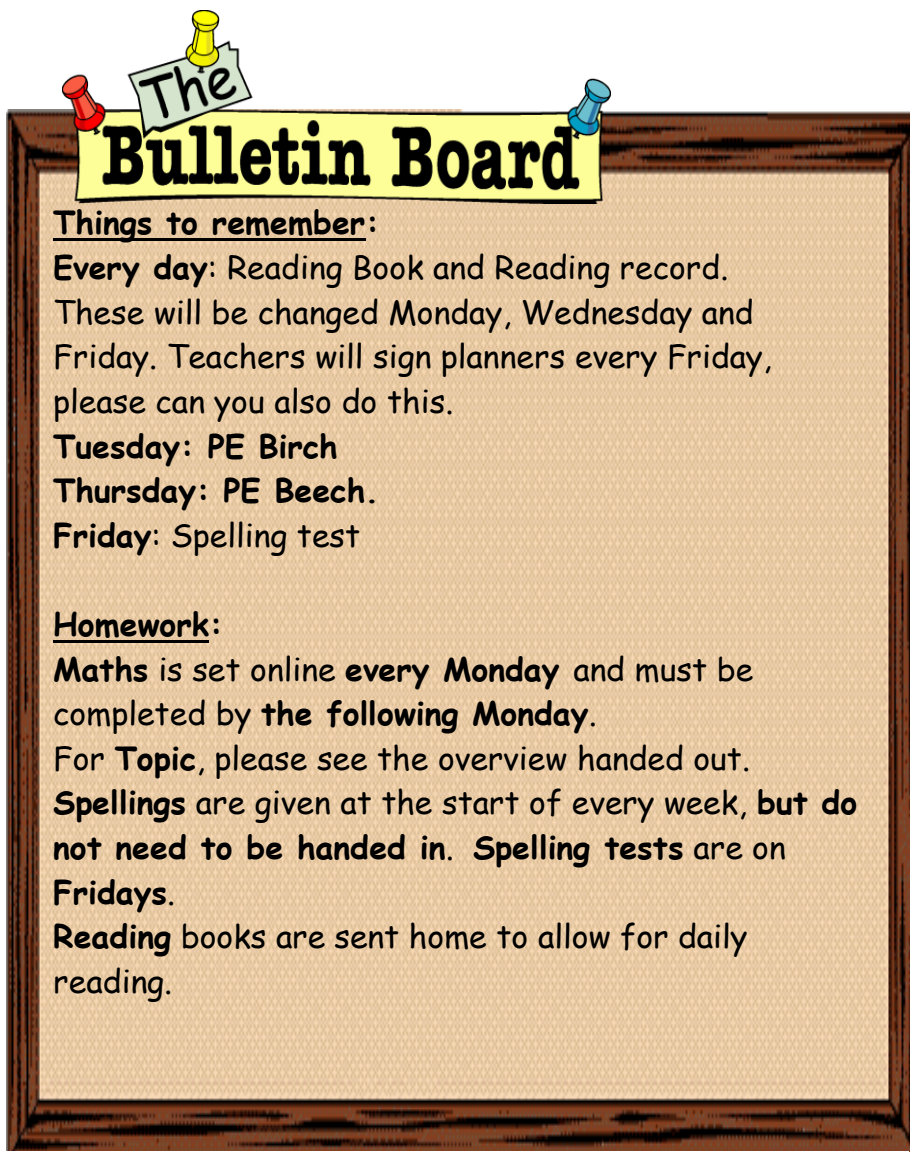
PE - This half term we will be continuing PE lessons with Miss. Heald. This will include team building skills to play a variety of different games.

PSHE - During PSHE sessions, we will look at healthy living, respect and responsibility.

Music - We will be practising songs following the Charanga music scheme.

Computing - We will be looking at simple animations.

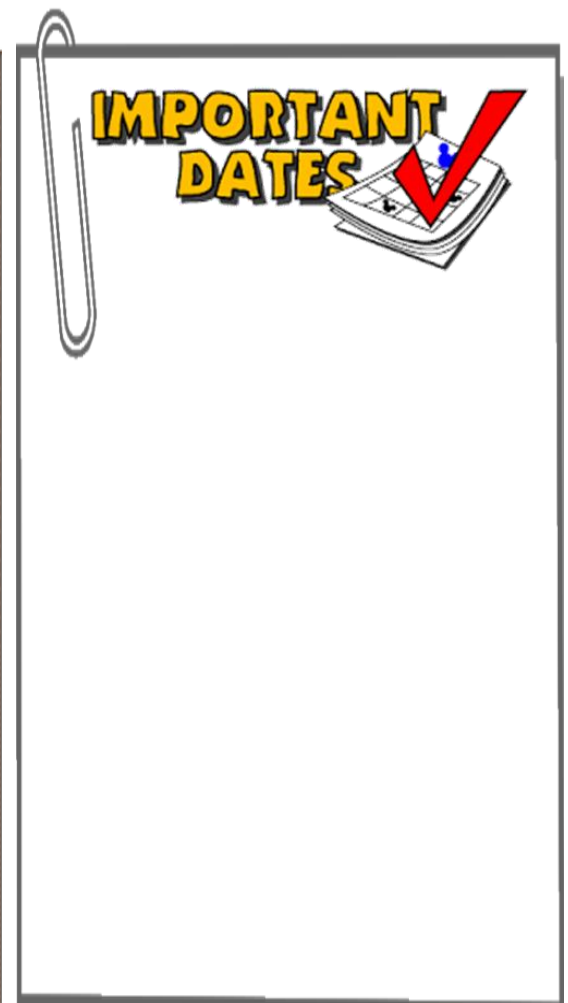
*For other areas of the curriculum, please see our overview on the next page.*



## The Bulletin Board

**Things to remember:**  
**Every day:** Reading Book and Reading record.  
These will be changed Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Teachers will sign planners every Friday, please can you also do this.  
**Tuesday:** PE Birch  
**Thursday:** PE Beech.  
**Friday:** Spelling test

**Homework:**  
**Maths** is set online **every Monday** and must be completed by **the following Monday**.  
For **Topic**, please see the overview handed out.  
**Spellings** are given at the start of every week, **but do not need to be handed in**. **Spelling tests** are on **Fridays**.  
**Reading books** are sent home to allow for daily reading.



## IMPORTANT DATES

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>  
<https://www.coolkidfacts.com/india/>  
<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>  
[www.teachyourmonstertoread.com](http://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com)



# Under the Sea.

## Geography

This half term, we will learn to locate and name the five oceans.



We will also take a closer look at maps and globes and begin to look at the 7 continents.



## History



We will look at how the oceans have changed over time. We will look at the effects humans are having on the environment, in particular focusing on the effects of plastic pollution.

## Cross-curricular writing

We will bring together our learning to make flip books about different types of animals in the ocean. We will also make fact files and leaflets linked to Finding Nemo.

