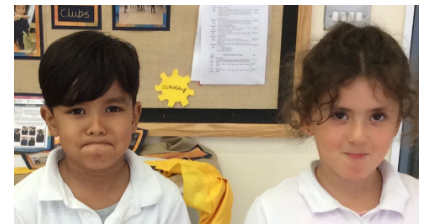


Foxfield Year 1 Newsletter

6th January 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year and welcome to the Spring 1 term in Year 1. We hope you had a lovely winter break and are as excited as we are for the year 2023. This half term we will be learning about the differences in toys that people have played with over time, and we hope to find out what games different generations have played in the past. We will ensure all lessons challenge all pupils through a variety of activities, providing opportunities for feedback from adults and peers. Through the continuing high expectations of everyone at Foxfield, we aspire to achieve the highest quality outcomes for all children.



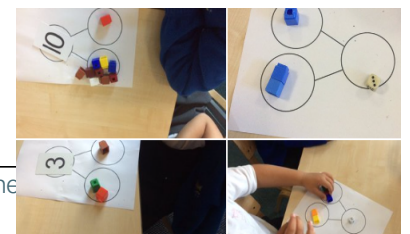
has equal rights.

During this half term, the learning in Year 1 will be based around the global theme of 'Social Justice and Equity', with a focus on links between the local community and intergenerational relationships. Over the course of the term, the children will be showing an awareness of people's emotions, including feelings about changes in their own life and locality. The children will learn about respecting and valuing other people's opinions and they will learn that everyone



In English, this half term Year 1 will be using the film 'Up' as a visual text as inspiration for writing. The children will explore the emotions and feelings of characters in the film and how they change from the beginning to the end. 'Up' is about friendship across different generations and how respect is formed and earned. The children will be learning about how the choices that are made have an impact on those around us. The children will start off by watching a clip which is full of suspense and they will write a paragraph about that section using descriptive language and punctuation. After this, the children will write a narrative about a suspenseful part of the film. They will use effective, descriptive vocabulary as well as time conjunctions to structure the plot. The children will identify how the characters are feeling throughout the film (linked to the Zones of Regulation), which will be incorporated in their writing.

In Maths, this half term Year 1 will be building on prior learning of numbers by adding and subtracting numbers using a number line.



This will then support our learning when we estimate where numbers should be on a numberline. To further extend our learning, we will continue to use our knowledge of number bonds to and within 20. In addition to this, we will use tens-frames to help us double numbers. We will continue to count in 2's, 5's and 10's before extending our understanding of empty box problems when we will apply our knowledge of addition and subtraction.



In Science, the children will be learning about plants and what they need to help them grow. They will find out about the different parts of a plant as well as comparing different plants. The children will learn about plants which can be eaten and plants that cannot be eaten. The children will plant some seeds in different ways to identify how they should be looked after to help them grow. As well as this, the children will continue learning about the different seasons and the weather linked to the different seasons.

In PE, the children will be learning about sending and receiving an object both by throwing and by kicking. They will learn how to launch an object towards a target using different techniques. This will be completed and practised with a partner which reinforces their collaborative skills. Through deliberate, repeated practice, the children will move in different ways as they manipulate and control objects which will help develop their hand-eye and foot coordination.



In art we will be using techniques to weave using different materials. We will start off by sketching a balloon linked to our English learning journey, then we will begin to explore how to weave in different ways. We will use different materials to weave in order to create a single balloon which will then be added to an inspired 'Banksy' canvas. This will recreate the journey that Carl and Russell make in the film 'Up'. The inspirational artist the children will be inspired by is Banksy, a graffiti artist who creates murals throughout the United Kingdom.

Our RE focus this half term is Hinduism. Throughout the term we will be focusing on important features of the temple and that one god is represented in many forms. We will be learning about some of the key stories in Hinduism and what the significance is of them. As part of our learning, we are excited to be visiting a Hindu temple.



In history for the spring term, the children in Year 1 will be developing their historical enquiry skills by investigating what toys different generations played with in the early 20th century. The children will learn how to use language to describe objects of the past to establish an understanding of chronology and timelines.

Supporting Your Child at Home

Home Learning: Log in to Purple Mash and complete set tasks.

Reading Records: Please read daily with your child and record information in the area provided.

Dates for the Diary

19th February - Phonic Workshop for Parents in Year 1 Classrooms. An exciting opportunity to observe how we teach phonics.

3rd February - Hindu Temple Trip

10th February - End of term

General Information

PE: Every Tuesday - Please ensure clean PE kits are brought weekly.

Water bottles: Please ensure your child brings a clean, suitable water bottle into class with their name on.

Lost property: To ensure that personal items are not lost, please write your child's name on their book bag and all of their clothing.

Thank you for your support

For up to date learning notifications and photographs of your children please follow us on twitter.

@FoxfldPine

@FoxfldHazel

@FoxfldJuniper

