

# Year 1 CLASS NEWSLETTER

Spring 2025

We would like to share with you about some of the things we have been doing in the spring term.



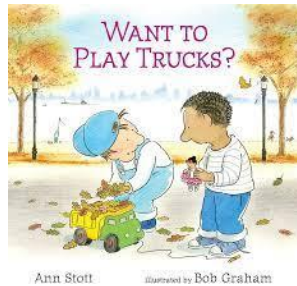
In **Science**, we have looked at and discussed different everyday materials. We sorted materials depending on their properties, decided whether they are natural or manmade, tested for strength, waterproof or not and what sinks and what floats. We had opportunities to test the materials ourselves making predictions and testing them in investigations. We also learnt all about our senses.



In **English**, we have continued to write sentences using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We have talked lots about adjectives, nouns and verbs and been using these within our own work. The story we have learnt is 'Whatever Next'. We have used a text map to help us with both verbally retelling the story as well as writing it. We had fun adding adjectives into our sentences to make them more exciting.



In **Maths**, we have been exploring numbers to 50 and addition and subtraction. We have used the part, part whole model and used dienes to understand tens and ones. We have been trying really hard to deepen our understanding working on our reasoning skills completing a question everyday together.



### Personal Development

We have looked at a variety of things this term linked to our personal development. We have discussed money and how to save it, we've talked about how to be a good friend, we looked at stereotypes and what this means and what jobs exist.

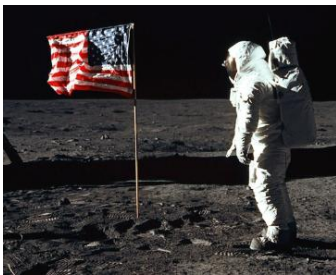
Everyone is welcome focussed on 2 different books – 'Want to play trucks?' and 'Hair, It's a Family Affair.' Both of these showed the children how everyone is different but should still be treated the same.



In music we have discussed a variety of genres and identified our likes and dislikes. We have used maracas to keep the rhythm and used chime bars to create different tunes.

Our art work has been all about the primary colours and how they can be mixed to make secondary colours. Our final piece was a plate in the style of Clarice Cliff using all the skills we have learnt.

In Design and technology, we made smoothies, designed and made a hand puppet linked to the story of Whatever Next!



In PE we created a dance over several weeks linked to the ocean and under the sea. We used music from the Little mermaid and read an ocean story to help inspire us.

In history we investigated the first moon landing made by Neil Armstrong and his crew. We learnt about what they did when they were there and how they felt on the mission.

In RE we looked at Judaism and then what Christian people believe God to be like.





I can't believe we have reached the end of the Spring term. The children have worked so hard and are definitely ready for a break of eating lots of chocolate. We have had lots of different opportunities this term. We dressed up for World Book Day, visited the Space Centre and had a great family day completing different activities.



I would like to thank you all for your continued support this term and wish you all a restful and relaxing Easter.

Miss Hartley, Miss Yeomans and Mrs Dunlop.