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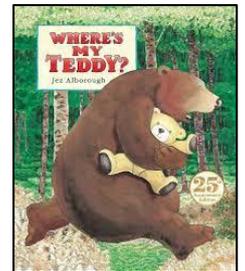
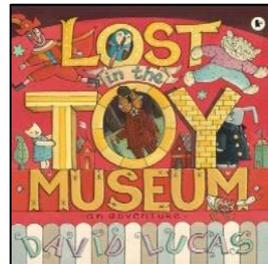
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Year 1 Autumn 2

Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone! We hope you had a restful holiday with your family and are raring to go for another exciting half term of learning.

Lost in The Toy Museum



Topic

During our first week back, the children will be rehearsing, reciting and creating their own fire work poetry. The children will be able to share their creative poems with you at home.

We are super excited about the up and coming school trip to the SEARCH Museum, where the children will be exploring old and new toys from the past and present. This will help give children ideas to be creative when setting up their own Toy Museum in the class. The children will discuss, describe, share, play and explore different types of toys from the past and present. Our narrative writing will be inspired by stories called, Lost in the Toy Museum and Where's My Teddy. The children will create their own story page and share this with their peers in school.

Maths - Number- Place value-Multiplication-Division , Measure, Fractions, Adding and Subtraction

English - Fire work Poetry, Descriptive Writing (Toys), Story Writing

Science - Describing materials

PE - Inside : Dance (Heroes) Outside- Ball Skills

RE - The Christmas Story

Music: Pitch and Tempo- Super Heroes

History - How have toys changed?

Computing - Algorithms unplugged

Jigsaw (PSHE) - Celebrating Differences

Design and Technology (Textiles) Design and make a puppet

Art - Gustav Klimt The Tree of Life

Home Learning project

Thank you for completing your home learning project this half term. The children will be sharing their projects the next week and their work will go on display for everyone to see.

Uniform

We are delighted to see the children back in their uniform looking smart. It gives us a lovely sense of pride and belonging. Please be reminded that shoes (not trainers) should be plain black and without colour, including white. Please make sure everything is **NAMED**. Remember on PE day children need to come dressed already in their PE kits.



Water bottles

In Year 1 we ask that you provide a **named** water bottle for your child to bring into the classroom daily. Remember we ask these are filled with only water. The bottles will be taken home after each day to be cleaned and refilled for the following day.

PE days.

Our PE days are on a **Monday (Outdoor)** and **Thursday (Indoors)**. Children will need to come dressed for PE every Monday and Thursday. We will be practising different ball skills for throwing and learning to perfect the children's technique so that the skills they learn can be applied in ball games such as basketball and netball. On the colder and wetter days, please remember that your child will need proper trainers (not plimsolls) and they can wear blue or black tracksuit bottoms with their colour PE T shirt and their school jumper for when we are outside. Please remember that children should have their hair tied back and should not be wearing jewellery. Please provide earring tape if your child cannot take out their stud earrings.



How we teach reading

Reading Diaries

Reading diaries are needed every day for our guided reading session and will be checked every Friday for the number of home reads, which will contribute to their certificates and rewards. This allows you to sign their diary daily when reading or sharing a book. A record will be kept at school so that children can receive their certificates and move their photos up on the display outside the library and share their success with the rest of the school. They do have opportunities to change their **Love To Read book every day** and their **library book on a Tuesday**.

We want to say a big thank you to all parents and children taking care and returning the books on time. It is vital that the books are returned on the Monday morning, so that the next group of children can use them on the Tuesday. The reading practise sessions are really successful and the children are reading with confidence, expression and are more articulate when talking about what they are reading, which is lovely to see.

Communication



Each morning the class teacher will be at the gates so if you need to pass on any information, please do so then. If you need to discuss anything with the teacher please make an appointment when convenient. We do understand that some parents work, and are not around at the start or end of the day, so please feel free to write a message for your child to hand to their teacher.

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Thank you for your support
Mrs Stock, Mrs Schneider and the Year 1 Team.