

## Weekly Learning Letter

**Friday 17th November 2023**

### This week in Year 1:

#### Anti-bullying week:

This week was anti-bullying week and the theme was 'Make a Noise'. On Monday, the children and staff wore odd socks to mark the start of anti-bullying week and to show how each of us is unique. In Year 1, we discussed what bullying is and how it can affect us with a particular focus on 'Online Bullying'. We looked at the positives and negatives of being online, how our behaviour online can impact others. We also discussed kind and unkind comments and who to ask for help.

Across the school, all the classes created an anti-bullying rap, which will be videoed and uploaded to the school website.

#### English:

In English this week, Year 1 have been thinking about the daily routines of the monsters they created last week. They used the time adverbials first, next and then to order the parts of the monsters' daily routines. This is leading up to the children writing instructions for looking after their monsters, which we will be doing next week.

#### Phonics:

The children have been continuing their learning of alternative spellings of graphemes they already know. This week, we have introduced split vowel digraphs: a\_e (ai) make, i\_e (igh) time, o\_e (oa) home, u\_e (oo, ue) rude, cute. Four new tricky words were introduced: could, would, should and our. Please do practise these new graphemes and tricky words at home using flashcards and games.

#### Maths:

In maths this week, the children have looked at working systematically to find all the possible number bonds for a number within 10. The children had to consider how they can make sure they have found all the number bonds.

#### Reading:

Books will have been uploaded to the Collins e-Library so that you can read a range of decodable books with your child throughout the week.

#### Learning next week:

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In English, Year 1 will be writing instructions of how to look after my monster using first, next, then and imperative verbs and we will be introducing a new book.

In maths, we will be looking at adding together and adding more, as well as addition problems.

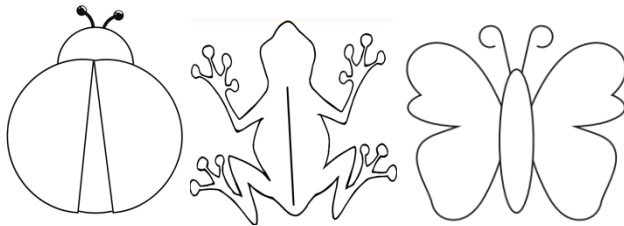
In Geography, we will be looking at parts of the UK.

The children will continue with the computing unit throughout the term. If it is possible please support your child at home by allowing your child to practise using a keyboard and mouse as they are very used to using touch screens.

### Home learning ideas:

Write a funny poem using split digraph words and your new tricky words.

The spots have fallen off the animals below. Each animal had 8 spots. Choose one animal to place the spots back onto and, systematically, find all the possible ways the spots could be put back on.



Make up an anti-bullying song or poem.

### Resources requests:

We are always looking at ways we can enhance the provision for our children through rich resources that allow for challenging and imaginative play. We would really appreciate any donations of old or unused items you may have at home.

We are looking for:

- spatulas, spoons, measuring spoons
- stones
- carpet for the reading shed
- solar and plug in fairy lights
- open book stands

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**Reminder:** More information about the [Year 1 curriculum is available on the website](#) – within the year group page – parent presentations.

Have a great weekend

The Year One Team