



# Jaguar Class Newsletter

06.10.23

Welcome to Jaguar newsletter! We have been in Year 1 for 5 weeks now and WOW, the children have settled into routines so well and we are so proud of their attitudes and efforts towards learning. I have been blown away by their fantastic writing and maths skills and we are excited to see the journey that Jaguars will take throughout this academic year. In class and around the school environment, we continue to remind children of our 3 important school values, 'be respectful, be responsible and be safe.'

Reminder: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October we will be supporting World Mental Health Day. For a donation of £1, we are asking all children to come into school wearing one item of yellow clothing e.g. yellow t-shirt/ jumper, socks or even a hair accessory.

## English

We have now moved on to our next text in Year 1 'Astro Girl' by Ken Wilson-Max. The children have been doing fantastic writing around this book, trying super hard to remember capital letters, full stops, finger spaces and we have even been using question marks!

## Maths

In Maths, we have moved onto our topic of number bonds and showing how different numbers can be made. The children have been using practical resources such as part-whole models to represent numbers.

## Science

In Science, our unit this half term is Materials. We will be exploring different types of materials such as wood, metal, glass, plastic and wool.

## Geography

Our Geography topic for this half term is understanding our local area. The children have explored maps and the features of our city, town and village. We have also identified our Whiston Willis' location on a map.

## PSHE

In PSHE, we are enjoying the Jigsaw unit Being Me in My World. We have been thinking about how we can feel safe in school and reasons we may feel proud of ourselves.

## Art

In Art, the children are exploring art by Wassily Kandinsky. We have explored the difference between abstract and realist art and the use of shapes and colours that Kandinsky uses in his art work. The children created their own Kandinsky inspired artwork by using rulers to create lines and different shapes to colour in.

## Music

In Music, we will be completing the unit, Hey You. We have been looking at finding the pulse to the music.

## PE

The children are working on their balance, coordination through gymnastics. The fantastic Beth Tweddle Gymnastics team work with the children every Thursday to support their gymnastics skills.

## News

### Daily Reading at home

Please spend 10 minutes reading with your child, and record this in their reading records, it helps them to become confident and fluent readers who can move through the Read, Write Inc scheme. Please speak to staff in class if you require any further support with your child's reading.

### Uniform

Please ensure your child's uniform is labelled clearly with their name. This will really support staff in returning any lost uniform.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them in school each day.

## PE

Year 1 PE days are on Monday and Thursday, please ensure your child arrives to school in their PE kits on these days.

**Snack**

In year 1 children are provided with daily fruit as an option of snack. Children will no longer bring snack money in, children can bring in their own additional healthy snack for break time.

**Star of the week**

**Emma B – 29.09.2023**

**Dougie M – 06.10.2023**

To see all our latest learning and for school updates, please follow @MissAtkin05 on Twitter. This will be the account that we will use for Jaguar class.



**Thank you for your continued support**  
**Miss Cashman and Miss Garvey**