



Rashford Class



Spring 1, 2023 Year One Newsletter



Important Reminders Uniform

As the weather is getting colder please make sure your child has a warm hat and gloves in school. Please also ensure your child's jumpers and cardigans are clearly labelled with their name to help us reunite lost property with it's owner.

PE Days

PE will continue to be on **Wednesdays & Thursdays** so please send your child in correct PE uniform on those days.

Please ensure kits meet our uniform requirements (no wording or branding other than the school badge).

What we are learning

This term our topic is 'The Great, The Bold and The Brave'. As part of our Local History we are looking forward to a visit from a member of the Towton Battlefield Society to bring our Battle of Towton topic to life. In DT we will be designing and making a shelter for soldiers. In Science we will be learning about different materials and investigating which material would be the strongest to make a raft for the three billy goats gruff. We will be re-telling the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff and writing our own version of We're going on a Bear Hunt.

Our focus texts are:



Our Values this half term are

Our values Perseverance and Respect "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." - Winston Churchill

Reading

Your child will continue to read in a group 3 times a week. Please support by reading regularly with them at home. Our recommendation is 3/4 times a week if possible.

Rashford Class book changing day is Monday and our Library day is Wednesday or Thursday depending on which group your child is in.

Thank you for your continued support with reading.

Spelling Shed 

Spellings

Spellings are part of your child's homework so please encourage them to practise their spellings on spelling shed. If you have any problems logging on please let us know.

At the moment, the focus is on tricky words but this may change from week to week. Again, regular practice will support your child's reading and writing.

This half term there will be team points and small prizes on offer for those children who access the most games on Spelling Shed each week.

Phonics

We will continue to follow the Little Wandle phonics scheme. This half term we will be teaching the next phase of Phase 5 sounds.

We will update you regularly on our teaching of phonics and how you can support your child at home.

Tricky Words:

This half term your child will be sent home a list of all the Year 1 words they have been learning since September. It is important that your child is able to sight read these words. Please help your child practise them at home. If your child is able to read these words fluently please begin to practise spelling them correctly.

This half term's tricky words:

any, many, again, who, whole, where, two, school, call,
different, thought, through, friend and work.

Maths



In Maths we will be looking at place value and addition and subtraction within 20., along with measurement.

Accessing Numbots regularly will hugely improve your child's mental maths skills. Our recommendation is 20 minutes at least 3 times a week. This is part of your child's weekly homework. This half term there will be team points and small prizes on offer for those children who access Numbots for the most minutes each week.

From Mrs Slater and Mrs Walton