

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week the children have enjoyed performing their poems to each other and writing their own poems about London. In Art the children have also sketched their own beautiful cityscape sketches. In Geography the children have been looking at the different landscapes within the United Kingdom.

English:- This week we will begin a new text, 'Naughty Bus'. There will be a surprise for the children involving the naughty bus at the beginning of the week and they will need to come up with some rules to help him make better choices!

Phonics:- We will be learning alternative graphemes for the **ur(or)/ (ear)**, **oo(ou)**, **oa(ou)**, **ee(ie)**, **v(ve)** and **i(y)** sounds.

Maths:- We will be comparing and ordering numbers up to 20 using the language of greater than, less than and equal to.

Music:- We will be learning the difference between singing and rapping.

Geography:- We will be learning and labelling countries, capital cities and the seas of the UK.

RE:- In RE we will be learning about Judaism. We will be looking at the Torah and understanding why it is a special book. **Please can you send your child in with one of their favourite books to use in this lesson.**

Art:- We will be exploring the use of a colour wheel, we will also be mixing primary and secondary colours.

PSHE:- We will be discussing how we feel when we face a new challenge.

At home you could:

- Please continue to read your reading books - even if it is just for five minutes per day. Remember - reading the same book is a positive thing! It helps to develop fluency and confidence. Please remember that you can access a range of books using your child's Oxford Owl login which is in their reading records.
- You could take a trip into London and see if you can spot some of the landmarks and cityscapes.

Key dates:

w/c Monday 22nd January - RSPB Birdwatch Week

Wednesday 24th January - Presentation for parents by National Autistic Society at Oatlands School

Thursday 25th January - Parent Voice Meeting for Class Reps

Friday 26th January - Safeguarding Session for Parent Volunteers

Monday 29th January 9:15am - 11:45am - Year 1 Synagogue Trip for Hedgehog Class & $\frac{1}{2}$ of Squirrel Class

Friday 2nd February 9:15am - 11:45am - Year 1 Synagogue Trip for Fox Class & $\frac{1}{2}$ of Squirrel Class

Notices:

PE

Squirrel Class - Monday

Hedgehog Class - Tuesday

Fox Class - Wednesday.

All classes - Multi-sports every Thursday morning

Library: Children will be visiting the library once a week and will be able to borrow a book. We ask that their library book is in their book bag so that they can change it on their library day.

Tuesday- Fox Class

Friday- Hedgehog Class and Squirrel Class

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered for our synagogue trip. We now have enough volunteers for all the classes. If you are volunteering, please could you drop your children as normal and meet us back at the school office for 9:10am. We aim to leave school at 9:15 and arrive back for 11:45. Please make sure children are dressed in full uniform and have the correct clothing, appropriate for the weather. **All males also need to bring hats to cover their head, this includes parent volunteers.** Squirrel class parents should have received an email, confirming which days their children will be going on. If you have any other questions then please speak to your class teachers.

Thank you,
The Year 1 Team