

Top Toys!

Overview Letter for Key Stage 1 - Term 2

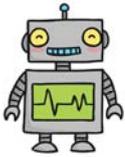


Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hope you all had a lovely half-term and are ready for another busy term leading up to Christmas! We were so impressed with the children's Madagascan homework projects and hope that they will continue to be inspired to create a second project based on our new topic 'Top Toys!' There is an attached list of ideas that they can choose from or if they prefer, they can choose their own.



Well done to all the children who have already achieved their first reading prize of the year. Please support your child with reading regularly at home and total up their reads – every 25 reads receive a prize from the head teacher!



Events -

Value: Friendship

13th & 14th November: Parent's Evening

16th November: Non-Uniform Day – Christmas Hamper & Children in Need donations

23rd November: Anti-Bullying Day – Optional dress up in blue/super hero

24th November: Friends of Lethbridge Christmas Fete

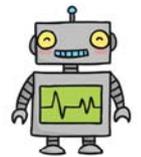
29th November: Open Morning for prospective *new* parents from 9.15-10.30 – Please pass on this date and time to anyone you know who may be considering sending their children to Lethbridge.

11th & 12th December: KS1 Christmas Production 1.30pm

19th December: Christmas Dinner Day

21st December: End of Term – School finishes at 12.00pm

7th January: Start of Term 3

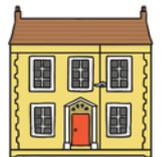


Topic & English

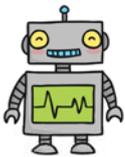
The attached topic web will provide you with an overview of specific subject coverage that we will be focusing upon this term as part of our exciting new topic; 'Top Toys.' As part of our topic, we will provide the children with the opportunity to research toys from the past, prior to comparing them to their favourite toys today. The children will use their findings as the basis for their non-fiction cross-curricular writing this term, in addition to learning how to write instructions and poems.



We are looking forward to introducing the children to the popular children's author Anthony Browne. We will be using his stories as a stimulus for creative writing in English. We will also be focusing on teaching the children specific grammar terminology this term. We have attached a copy of 'My First Grammar Passport' for your reference. As grammar is such a fundamental part of the KS1 English curriculum, we would like you to have the opportunity to reinforce your child's correct grammar terminology use at home.



As you may be aware, our school has moved towards teaching the children how to adopt a cursive handwriting style. We will continue to support children in KS1 by initially teaching individual, basic letter formation. We will then progress onto teaching them the cursive letter formation, prior to developing their methods of joining letters correctly. We have attached a handwriting mat for your attention and we would appreciate it if you could support your child with developing their handwriting confidence at home whenever possible.



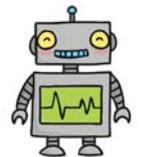
Maths

This term, we will be predominantly focusing on the operations of multiplication and division. We will teach the children how to use objects and pictorial representations to help them solve multiplication and division problems related to the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will also support children with developing their existing knowledge and understanding of shapes, fractions, measures, time and money.



We hope you and your child enjoy our new topic, and we look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming parent's evenings this term.

Best wishes,



Year 1 and 2 Team.

twinkl.co.uk

