



Our exciting year of learning will commence with a **Super Start**. As our half-termly topic is 'The World Around Us' we will take a tour of our school grounds both inside and outside to explore the area directly surrounding us. Just call us the Kents Hill Park Explorers! For our **Marvellous Middle** we will put our art skills to the test to draw and paint some fruit and vegetables. We might even eat them once we've painted them too! For our **Fabulous Finish** we will conduct a local area walk around Kents Hill Park and see which of the human and physical features we can spot that we have learnt about in our Geography lessons!

An overview of our learning this half term:

As Writers and Readers...	Practicing handwriting skills 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' - vocabulary, experience our own bear hunt and learn to sequence the story chronologically. 'Handa's Surprise' - explore different places around the world, including animals and fruits Traditional tales - 'The Little Red Hen' and 'The Three Little Pigs'. Recount - our local area exploration
As Mathematicians...	Place value of numbers to 10, recap one more and one less Adding and subtracting within 10 and using the number line
As Scientists...	We will look at the human body, looking closely at our five senses. We will look at each of these senses in detail to understand how they each help us observe the world around us.
As Geographers...	Use key geographical vocabulary to describe human and physical features. See which of these features we can find in our local area walk.
As Artists and Designers...	Draw and paint from observation using our class text 'Handa's Surprise' as our inspiration.
As Computer Scientists...	Learn how to be safe using the Internet and understand what to do if something worrying appears on our devices. Discuss what can be kept safe on a device and why we have passwords.
As Sportsmen and Sportswomen...	Playing active games and considering fundamental movement skills (Tuesdays and Thursdays)
RE	Caring for others - the importance through different religions
PSHRE	Living in the wider world - the role of families, homes and the planet
Manners Curriculum	We will begin the half term focusing on our two important school rules – 'work hard' and 'be kind'

Dates for your diary

Monday 9th September – Year 1 'Meet the Teacher' presentation (2.30-3.00pm) – see letter

w/c Monday 16th September – Clubs begin this week

Friday 27th September – Whole Primary House Non-Uniform Day – letter to follow

Wednesday 2nd October – Primary individual photos


Wednesday 2nd October – Year 1 Phonics Workshop for Parents – 2-3pm – letter to follow

Friday 18th October – Year 1 local walk – information to follow

w/c Monday 21st October – No clubs this week

Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th October – Primary Parents' Evening

Friday 25th October – Last day of term

<p style="text-align: center;">Reading</p> <p>Aim to read four times or more each week. It's important your child reads to you but you reading to them can be really beneficial too!</p> <p>Record this in your child's reading record. Please ensure your child keeps their book and reading record in their book bag so they are ready to be changed.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Phonics / Spellings</p> <p>The children will bring home a set of spellings each Friday. This will begin in due course.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> <p>Practise counting forwards and backwards from 1 to 50 and write the numbers in numerals and words. The children should also be able to recall their number bonds (pairs of numbers) that make 20 and numbers to 20.</p> 
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