

### Our Values

Respect, Kindness, Resilience,  
Integrity, Honesty and Trust



### Our Pledge

- Listen and Learn
- Do our best
- Look after each other
- Look after our school

## Year 1 Newsletter Spring 1 2023

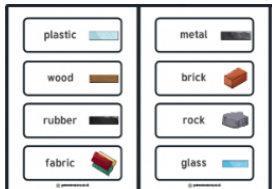
Year 1 have had a great term developing and learning new things.

In **Literacy**, as you know we have been learning how to write sentences and stories using our key text 'Handa's Surprise'. We first read and learnt about repetitive stories and how they hook the reader. We then had a go at performing one of the stories with masks and props. It was lots of fun! We have made lots of progress and have really been working on remembering to use our non-negotiables, which are Capital letters, Finger spaces and Full stops.



In **Mathematics**, we have been learning about number bonds to help with our addition and subtraction facts. This term we have really focused on using concrete objects such as cubes, dienes and bead strings to support our learning. We also learnt the days of the week, months of the year and how to tell the time using a clock. We looked at o'clock times and half-past times. Please help test your children's knowledge at home so that they do not forget. We also had Number Day this half term where we did many different number activities and dressed up in our favourite number. What a fun day!

In **Science** this term, we have been learning about Materials. We first identified the common materials we know and then distinguished between an object and a material. We then looked at the properties of a material and was able to describe whether it was 'soft, or 'smooth' etc. and group them based on their properties. We also carried out an experiment to see which materials were waterproof and best suited for an umbrella. We can now describe why some materials suit certain objects better than others do. We have become great scientists!



In **Reading**, we have been using Bug Club to help with our reading in the morning. We also read every day first thing in the morning and have Story time at the end of the day where our teachers read aloud to us. We love listening to stories. We want to thank all the adults who have been spending time reading books with us at home and helping us do our homework. It really does help us to learn more and grow. We cannot wait to see what the next term will be like but we know it will be full of learning and fun



Bug Club

