



Next week in Year 1

Week Commencing: Monday 8th November 2021

Literacy	We will be starting a new book this week, 'The High Street' by Alice Melvin. The children will be completing an independent write, before they make a story map of the book and explore using new punctuation including commas and exclamation marks.
Phonics and Spelling	This week, we will be continuing to work in our phonics groups and refreshing our sound knowledge from last week. The children will be applying their phonics and reading skills, reading red 'tricky' words and recognising pseudo (nonsense) words as well.
Maths	The children will start to look at subtraction this week- they will be taking away from a given number, looking at fact families and counting backwards from a given number.
Challenge Time	This week, we will be making Diwali- themed patterns using playdough and various materials. We will be designing a card that will feature a sliding moveable part that the children will build up over the next few weeks. The children will also be writing a set of instructions for computing on how to make a jam sandwich.
Homework	Please find the homework at the bottom of this sheet. Homework is due in on Wednesday 10th November. Please take a picture or video of your child's homework and upload it onto Tapestry.
Messages	Could you please ensure that your child is bringing a coat to school each day. Please can you ensure that any reading and book bag books sent home are returned on a Friday. Please can all children bring their P.E kits in ready for Monday. If you have any junk modelling items (e.g. plastic bottles, cardboard boxes, washed-out yoghurt pots, etc.) we would be grateful if you could bring them to school for the children to use. Thank you. If you need to contact your child's teacher please email us at, sparnell@decoyschool.co.uk , esimpson@decoyhscool.co.uk (Monday to Wednesday), hcammack@decoyschool.co.uk (Thursday and Friday)

What can you do at home?

Here are some optional ideas to support your child's learning at home.

- Read lots of different stories and talk about the characters. What do they look like? Do you like them? Why?
- Encourage any form of writing or phonics practice that your child can do.

In school, we have been talking about different materials and their properties, such as wood, metal, plastic and glass. We would like your child to explore different materials for things that you find around the house- can they find something made of wood, metal, plastic, glass or something else, such as felt? Can they find examples of materials that the house is made from instead?