



JAY & STARLING CLASS SPRING 1

Welcome back and happy new year!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone and can't wait for all the exciting learning to take place this half term.

First Half-Term Learning:

In English, our model text this half term is 'The story of Pirate Tom'. The children will be exploring this story, creating actions and sequencing key events that happen along the way. The children will plan their own ideas about where their character may go exploring, by innovating the setting in which the story is set.

In Maths, Reception children will be counting and saying the numbers up to 10 and representing these numbers. The children will be looking at one more and one less and know what two numbers add together to equal.

The Year One children this half term will be focusing on counting beyond 20 and look at number bonds to make 20. They will look at doubling numbers and start to notice number patterns when counting forwards and backwards. They will begin to partition numbers in to tens and ones e.g 15 has 1 ten and 5 ones.

In Science, we will be learning about our seasons and types of weather, exploring winter and what happens outside during these changes. We will explore in Geography how different types of weathers can be affected in different countries and look at waterfalls, rivers and mountains as just a few of the great examples of weather changes around the world.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Tuesday 7th January 2025- Children return back to school.

Monday 27th January 2025 2.15pm - Reception Math's Cafe.

Tuesday 4th February 2025 2.15pm - Year 1 Math's Cafe.

IMPORTANT

- Forest Schools - Monday for **BOTH CLASSES** - children should come in dressed in old clothes they they don't mind getting messy. Remember puddle suits and wellies should be in school at all times.
- PE will be on Tuesday's **FOR YEAR 1 ONLY**.
- Swimming will take place on a Tuesday **FOR Reception children ONLY**
- We will check reading diaries weekly so please record any reading with your children. They will earn a star if they record five or more reads.

