

Important Events

Tuesday 20th November - Spitafields farm trip

Thursday 29th November - Parents evening

Wednesday 5th December - Class assemblies

Friday 14th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 19th December - Panto at Hackney Empire

PE

Our PE sessions are on Wednesday (Swan) and Thursday (Woodpecker). It is vital that children participate every week. Please remember to send your child to school with their PE kit each week.

Class Dojo:

This year our behaviour and reward system in class is Class Dojo. This has been working very well so far this year. Children are awarded points for showing responsible behaviour in class and the highest points-scorers receive a certificate at the end of each week.

Homework Reading Diary:

Please can you check these diaries regularly as they are a fantastic way of maintaining contact with your class teacher. Please also support your child to answer the questions from these for their reading books.

Winter weather:

As the winter approaches we will be having colder, wetter weather. While on extremely wet days the children will play inside please do ensure that your child brings a warm coat, hats, gloves, etc to school each day. Each item should be labelled with your child's name, so that we can help them to look after their possessions.



Southwold
Primary School

Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another exciting term at Southwold. We hope you had a lovely time with your children and did some fantastic things. Autumn 1 was very successful and we are looking forward to the next few weeks as we have some very exciting topics planned.

As a parent you are vital to supporting your child's learning. There are many ways you can support us with this. You can ensure your child has their book bags, diary and PE kit in every day. You can support your child with their home readers and homework and also return these to school promptly. Spellings and time tables are very important this year. Please help your child to practice their spellings, ready for the test each week, as well as their 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and building upon our relationship!

Esme Moira (Swan)

Rachael Warrington (Woodpecker)

As writers we will sequence ideas and start to write our own stories/poems. We will be using punctuation and adjectives to write sentences, and continuing to learn continuous cursive handwriting. As readers, we will read a range of sight words, find key ideas in a text, and say what we like about books that we read. We will perform poetry and discuss our work with others, developing our speaking and listening skills.

In Numeracy we will practise counting in 2's and 5's. We will look at 2D and 3D shapes, learning how to describe their features. We will also study number, time and the days of the week. We will also continue to learn the number bonds to 10 so that we can recall these without counting up.

In Science, we are looking at animals. We will pay particular attention to city animals - labelling some key features on their body, identifying their habitat and why it is suitable and looking at their diet and how they retrieve that from our environment. We will also compare and contrast city and country animals and look at how animals like foxes thrive in both areas.

Literacy
Fiction, Information
Texts, Instructional
texts, Poetry

Numeracy
Doubling, Number
Bonds, Number, Shape,
Time

Science
City Animals

ICT
Graphics -
Paint, Textease

Humanities
Our Local Features in
our environment

In Geography, we will be exploring our immediate environment. We will look closely at Hackney and the features of our community. We will go on a walk around the local area to learn how it is used. We will also look at our wider area (London) and discuss some of its key features.

**Physical
Development**
Dance

This half-term we will study dance in PE, exploring sound, movement and rhythm. We will practice familiar dances, create dances and work individually and as part of a team to perform dances.

The Arts
Sketching the local
area

As artists we will be using a variety of media to create our own work. We will studying our local area and discuss the key features of them. Later, we will practice key skills needed to draw well. We will each create a component of our final sketches showing our community.

PSHE & RE

RE: What does it mean to
belong?
PSHE: Staying Safe

This is Hackney

