

Class 1 News



Phonics

Miss Wright's phonics group will be learning the following new sounds this week: ng and nk. We will then be revising all the sounds we have learned so far and practising blending them to read words and segmenting them to spell. Miss Wright's group will have completed their first set of sounds by the end of this week – congratulations! You have all made brilliant progress in your reading and writing this year! 😊

Miss Smitheram's group will be focusing on the two different spellings for the 'ou' sound (as in 'brown' and 'out'), as well as revising all the sounds they already know.

Topic

In preparation for our trip to Trebah Gardens next week, Class 1 have written letters home to tell you what they think they need to bring with them. We did discuss possibilities before writing, but if you find something surprising on your child's letter please don't hesitate to check this with a member of the Class 1 team!

Maths

This week in Maths we will be using non-standard units of measure to weigh a range of different objects. We will be making spring scales as well as using balances to compare weights.

To support your child at home, you could discuss weight and measurement in everyday contexts. A shopping trip would be an ideal opportunity for this: you could decide which bag of sugar is heavier or predict which would be lighter, a carton of juice or a box of cereal.

Reading books

I am really pleased with the progress all children in Class 1 are making with their reading. Please do not move your child onto the next reading stage: each child is read with at least twice a week, individually and in guided reading, and they will be moved on when they are ready. If you are wondering why your child has not yet been moved on, please do come and speak to me. All Reception children should be choosing stage 1 or stage 1+ books (grey and purple). These books contain the sounds with which they are already familiar or will be learning soon, and will help them to develop a sense of themselves as competent readers. To this end, they will remain at this stage until they are very secure. Year 1 children should know which stage they are on, but please ask if you are unsure.

As always, if you have any questions I am available before and after school, and can be contacted at nwright@kennall-vale.cornwall.sch.uk

Best wishes,

Miss Wright