



# Year 1 newsletter Autumn 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. Over the past few weeks the children have been able to practice counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. They have been adding and subtracting numbers to 10 and 20. They have explored stories and have been able to use adjectives to describe. They have remained fully engaged in their learning and have enjoyed the year one curriculum.

As always home/school links are vital to support the progress of the children. Please continue to support your child at home; listening to your child read every day will really help them. Please leave a comment in their reading record to let us know how they're getting on as you listen to them read. Encourage your child to complete their Mathematics tasks and weekly homework. We are always keen to work closely with parents, as your support makes all the difference.

## Gainsborough's Stars!

This term some children from year 1-6 will be celebrating being a "Gainsborough Star". To qualify to be a Gainsborough Star, children need to be in school every day and on time, complete all their homework and must not have worked their way down the Consequence chart to time out. If they meet the criteria, then they will have a special treat during their lunchtime this term. Please encourage your child to work hard at this so that they can work towards being a Gainsborough Star!

Please remember that our PE days are Mondays and Thursdays and that all children need to bring an appropriate PE kit to school on these days.



Bow Bells class

## Our learning in this half term

In English, we will be reading two books "Leaf Man" and "Beegu" focusing on the structure of a story, making predictions and using different types of punctuation in our writing (. ? ). In maths we will focus on recognising numbers 0-100, counting back, 2d shapes, money, time and measures. For Science we will be learning about materials and their properties. We will also be learning about changes in weather patterns linked to the seasons as part of our topic work.

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## Some key dates

**Friday 3rd November** Year one trip to memorial park. We will be finding out about our local area and how seasonal changes affect plants and wildlife.

**Thursday 9th November** book fair arrives (for one week)

**Monday 13th November** Anti-bullying week

**Thursday 16th November** non-uniform day to raise money for children in need.

**Thursday 30th November** Year one to Year five Panto

**Monday 11th December** parent reflection week, you will be invited into school for an afternoon to work share in some of the great learning that takes place in class. Date to be confirmed.

**Friday 15th December** Christmas jumper day

Mrs Agar (Year 1 lead)



Loch Ness class