Hazel and Sycamore Class Term 1





Welcome!

Welcome back to school and welcome to Year 1. We are looking forward to a great year of learning and having lots of fun in Year 1.

Sycamore Team – Miss Bailey, Mrs Hosken, Miss Richmond and Mrs Bolejko (PPA cover Thursday PM)

Hazel Team – Mrs Pestridge, Miss Powling, Miss Spring (M,T,W), Miss Morris (W, T, F) and Mrs Challoner (PPA & other cover Thursday all day).

Please ensure all belongings are named and labelled.

Website and Seesaw

You will find your child's home learning project for Term 1, as well as lots of links and resources in order to support your child's learning!

www.john-wesley.org.uk

Your child's Seesaw code will be in their orange books.

Reading

Your child will bring home their reading book at the end of the week. Your child will have completed three reading sessions with this book in school and should be reading with fluency and accuracy. Please encourage them to use expressions and ask questions about the text.

Your child will bring home their treasure book on a Monday.

Please enjoy listening to your child's fantastic reading at home and record any reading they complete in their orange contact book. Thank you for helping your children on their reading journeys!

Our Term 1 and 2 Connected Learning question is:

'What can we find in our school?'

In **Science,** the children will be exploring each of their five senses. This will involve using each sense to investigate how it is used and compare their findings.

Each sense will be explored each week, with objectives such as 'What factors affect our sense of taste?' (where we will be tasting food, blind folded). Also, looking at our sense of sight, testing whether everyone sees the same image in an optical illusion.



In **Maths,** this term will have a large focus on number work as we try to establish a good foundation for the rest of the year. We will be looking at place value, including one more, one less, representing numbers, counting on from a given number, counting forwards and backwards, comparing numbers and how to use a number line.

In **PE**, we will be concentrating on agility, balance and co-ordination. We will be developing our ball skills throwing and catching.

Our PE days are:

Sycamore: Wednesday and Thursday.

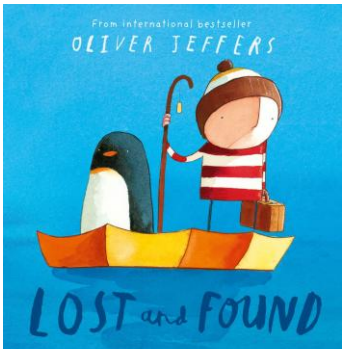
Hazel: Tuesday and **Forest School** on Wednesday.

Sycamore Forest School will be Term 2.

In **Geography,** we will look at our school grounds and at weather patterns in our country. We will also study the North and South Poles.

In **RE**, we will be looking at what Christians believe about God, using stories from the Bible as a reference.

In **History**, we will be looking at the life of Mae Jemison, celebrating Black History Month during October.



In **English**, our story will be 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. We will focus on segmenting, using our phonic knowledge when attempting to write words and simple sentences. We will practice using high frequency words in our writing, spelling them correctly. Looking carefully at the language used in the story and describing the characters. By the end of the unit, we will write a story, with a beginning, middle and end based on the story.

In **Music,** we will be looking at the difference between pulse and rhythm.

In **ICT,** we will be learning about E-safety.

In **PSHE,** we will be learning about boundaries and expectations.

In **DT,** we will be designing, making and evaluating a sandwich to take to the South Pole to follow our English focus story.

This term the children will be focusing on our Christian Value 'Koinonia'.

'May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all' 2 Corinthians 13:14