



# The Betty Layward Primary School Year 1 Class Newsletter

Welcome back to your child's final part of summer term at Betty Layward this year!

This continues to be a very important time for the children where they will be tackling new and exciting challenges. You can help by ensuring your child does:

- Read every day
- Practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- Practise telling the time
- Revise their phonic sounds

The phonics screening review will take place week commencing 11th June, 2018.

For this half term our topic is

## Where I live



## Announcements

Wow day will take place on  
Monday 11th June 2018.

Later this term we will be learning  
about plants. If you have an  
interesting potted plant, please bring it  
into school for us to explore!

Please come and join us for parents/  
carers day on Tuesday 19th June  
2018.

Please inform your class teacher  
if you would **not** like your child to  
take part in Sex and Relationships  
Education (SRE).



## PE

Athletics will be the focus in PE  
this term in preparation for Sports Day.

It is very important that your child has  
a suitable PE kit. All kits will be sent home more  
frequently for washing. PE KITS WILL NEED TO  
BE IN SCHOOL AT THE START OF A WEEK FOR  
OUR LESSON ON WEDNESDAYS. It is also that  
your child has a suitable outfit for PE outside.

## Science

This term in Science we will be learning about  
plants. We will learn how to identify and describe a  
variety of common plants including deciduous and  
evergreen trees. We will ask scientific questions  
about plants and consider how they will be  
answered. Using our questions, we will  
conduct our own investigation. You  
can help your child by exploring the  
local environment with them and  
helping them to ask (and answer)  
questions about plants.



## Geography

We will be understanding 'Where we live' to include  
the Earth, the continents, the UK, Stoke Newington  
and individual addresses. The children will explore  
human and physical features of the city that we live  
in and make comparisons to surrounding areas in the  
UK.

## DT

In DT we will be creating a toy car with moving  
parts including wheels and axles!

Class reading books will go out this week and a timetable of the book change days for your child will be displayed on the class window. Book bags will be changed weekly however please bring book bags in every day (this helps to keep any letters or school information in a definite place for you to check). Your child's book change day may change throughout the term. **It is important that you read with your child for 15 minutes every day and rehearse high frequency words.**

PE: It is essential that your child has their kit each week. For reasons of Health and Safety, pupils will not be able to participate in PE lessons if they do not have their full PE kit. If you do not wish for your child to participate due to illness /injury, please can you send in a note.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me directly via the school office or when you drop off/ collect your child.



### Trips

During the term there will be class trips to enrich and support the work your child is doing in class. If you can come with us on any school trip this is greatly appreciated.



It is lovely to have parents/carers with us and I know it adds a boost to you child's day too.

**Trip - Clissold Park to examine plants**



If you are able to accompany us on any trips this year and are DBS checked, please let us know.

### Useful Websites:

These will be used to support and

extend your child's learning:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/5\\_6/growing\\_plants.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/5_6/growing_plants.shtml)



### English

In literacy this half term we will cover the following units:

- Taking an in depth look at stories with a familiar setting. We will explore types of vocabulary to include wow words (adjectives) and verbs.
- We will reinforce how to write an information text, focussing on the main features.
- We will continue to follow Read, write, ink Phonics scheme of work.

We have been working hard to introduce cursive handwriting in preparation for Year 2. The children are enjoying trying out new joins between letters. Please take some time to encourage this.



### Maths

In maths this term we will cover the following units:

**Number** - Place value will be a large focus of our work with numbers with term. We will look at the value of each digit in two digit numbers as well as compare and order numbers 100.

**Calculation** - We will be adding and subtracting within 100 and begin to add and subtract using money. Children will start to share equally between numbers of groups and multiply through repeated addition.

By the end of term we will be working towards children having quick recall of addition facts for pairs that total up to 10 and we will be able to relate addition facts to an understanding of addition, including + and -.

**Measures** - We will be finding and comparing volumes as well as use non-standard units to measure lengths. We will begin to use rulers, weighing scales and containers.

**Time** - We will be learning to read the time to the hour and half hour.



**SRE** We will begin to learn about the parts of the body and understand personal hygiene and how to look after the body.

**Homework** It is still very important that your child reads every day for a minimum of 15 minutes and has the opportunity to listen to text/stories every week. The children will continue to receive homework fortnightly to be completed in their homework books.

