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Puffins, Kingfishers and Nightingales

Dear Parents,

We hope you have a lovely half term break. Please find below an outline of the subjects we will be covering this half-term in Year One. We hope that this will help you to support your children's learning at home.

Topic	Around the World
Key Question	<u>Where in the world am I?</u>
Geography	The children will learn about interesting places from around the world. They will look at where they are located on a map and they will compare and contrast the different landmarks, cultures and customs of these countries.
Science	How do the seasons impact on what we do? The children will be learning about seasonal changes throughout the year and how this impacts on the environment. They will also conduct some exciting experiments.
Maths	In maths the children will be learning about division and multiplication. They will learn to tell the time to o'clock and half past. They will be working on not only using digits to 20 but reading and spelling the words. They will continue their learning on place value and use this to help solve addition and subtraction number sentences.
English	In English Year 1 will be looking at traditional stories from around the world including Handa's Surprise, The Runaway Chapatti, and Make way for Ducklings. They will be retelling the stories in their own words and then they will write their own stories.
PE	In PE the children will be creating our own dances about the weather. They will learn key skills for throwing and catching and using these skills in sending and receiving games.
RE	What are God's rules for living? Why is Easter the most important festival for Christians? The children will look at the Ten Commandments and what these mean to Christians. They will focus on the story of Easter and cover Palm Sunday, the Last Supper, Good Friday and Easter Sunday and what these teach us about Jesus.
Computing	We are celebrating! This half term's focus is on planning and creating a range of greetings cards.
Art	How can make new colours? The children will be looking at features of Australian pointillism and creating their own.
Music	Round and Round This is a unit that explores different styles of music including: Latin Bossa Nova, Film Music, Big Band Jazz, Mash-up and Latin fusion.
PSHCE	They will be learning about Safety Contexts . The children will learn about road safety, ways to stay safe in the sun and near water and the best actions to take if they get lost and how to stay safe when playing. They will also be continuing with the Paths scheme.

Please remember that every child must have a named water bottle (preferably a school one available from the office) in school each day, homework books are due in every Wednesday (to be returned to you on Friday) and book bags will be changed every Monday and Thursday.

Yours sincerely,

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