# Year 1 Newsletter

## Year 1 Spring 2



<u>Highlights</u> The children came back after Christmas excited and ready to learn. Here are some of our Spring 1 highlights:





Diary Dates

INSET Days for the year: Thursday 28th March 2024 Friday 28th June 2024

### Other important dates this term:

Friday 8th March: World Book Day

Friday 15th March: Rainbow Day

### Newsletter challenge:

Together with your child, answer the questions on this newsletter and tick the boxes when you have! http://www.portsdownprimary.co.uk/
<u>Book Bags</u>— It is important that your child brings their book bag <u>everyday</u>.
<u>PE</u>— PE for Year 1 is on Wednes-day.
Please make sure that your child has their PE kit in school.
During the cold weather, they may prefer long trousers rather than shorts.
All children must have appropriate footwear and long hair needs to be

footwear and long hair needs to be tied back. Earrings need to be removed.

**Library**— Year 1 will visit the school library on **Wednesdays**. They will bring home a book to share with

### Home reading

It is very important for your child to bring their book bag in <u>every day</u>.

Please take time to listen to your child read and tick the box on the Reading Record Card. Children need to read <u>4 times a</u> <u>week</u> at home as part of our reading challenge and to earn themselves prizes!

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### Maths

The focus for this half term in maths is place value, addition and subtraction. We will be practising counting forwards and backwards to 100. We will also be using partitioning to solve word problems and find associated number facts.

Please continue practising counting forwards in twos and tens. 2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,20

10,20,30,40,50,60,70,80,90,100

In RE we are going to be learning about the

Easter story. Do you know why we eat hot cross

buns and give Easter eggs?



# English

This half term in English we will be looking closely at stories about migration. We will begin by exploring the big question 'What does home mean?' We will be using the text 'The Suitcase' to explore characters' feelings, predict what characters might do next and then write diary entries focusing on the past tense.

When you have read a story at home, can your child retell the story to you?



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### Music

As musicians this half term we will be learning about timbre and rhythmic patterns. We will be using well-known stories to support our learning.

21st March— Portsmouth Music Hub will coming in for a workshop with the children about Musical storytelling!

As scientists this half term, we will be learning about materials. What materials do you see on your way to school? Wood? Paper? Card? Metal?

### D.T

This half term in DT we will be planning, creating and evaluating our own fruit salads.

Can you make a list of the fruits that you enjoy eatina?



### PSHE

In PSHE this half term we will be thinking about different ways to be healthy.

What ways can you think of to be healthy?



### Computing

In Computing this half term we will be learning about grouping.

The children will begin by grouping objects and then move on to classifying objects based on their properties. We will then link this to the need to label images on the computer.