



## Year 1 Term 4

### Martin Luther King class

Dear Parents,

We will be making our castles next week so please bring your box into school.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Parent Consultations on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **This term**

##### **Literacy**

The focus on a variety of genres; poetry, fiction and non-fiction. We will be looking at some traditional tales and making up our own funny versions!

##### **Numeracy**

The children will continue looking at numbers to 50 and beyond, money and graphs.

##### **History**

During the term, we will start our topic on Castles, learn about our local castles (Deal and Walmer) and the timeline of castle development from Motte and Bailey castles to the concentric walled stone ones. Also, learning about Henry VIII and Elizabeth 1.

##### **Science**

We will explore seasonal changes from winter to spring, different animals, their habitats and weather across the world.

##### **Art**

Focus on use of collage and different mediums.

##### **RE**

Exploring Salvation, and why Easter matters to Christians.

##### **Computing**

We are learning how to conduct a safe search (with duckduckgo) and how to collect data.

**PSHE** - This term is about Healthy Me, where the children will discuss how to make healthy choices with food and life style, medicine and road safety and who to go to for help.

#### **Reading in Year 1...**

The children are making tremendous progress with our Phonics Scheme called 'Little Wandle'. Thank you for your support reading with them every night- this is really improving their confidence and accuracy. I hope the books brought home to share with you are also allowing them to extend their reading practice and further develop their proficiency.

Please continue to ask the children questions about the text they are reading and record any comments in the reading records.

Throughout this term, we will continue to learn more of the Phase 5 phonics.

### General reminders and information:

- Please ensure your child has a warm PE kit in school and that all items are clearly labelled. We will be outside!
- Your child needs a water bottle every day please. This can be used throughout the day. Please make sure it is clearly marked with your child's name.  
**(NO JUICE OR SQUASH PLEASE!)**
- Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due back on the Thursday.
- We would like to remind children that jewellery (other than a wristwatch) and nail varnish are not allowed. Please ensure that all items of clothing including hats, scarves, gloves, coats and PE kit are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- If you have any queries, questions or concerns about your child, please do not hesitate to contact me either in person at the end of the day or via email: [cluffd@deal-parochial.kent.sch.uk](mailto:cluffd@deal-parochial.kent.sch.uk)

Thank you

Mrs Johnson, Mrs Christie and Mrs Lowe

