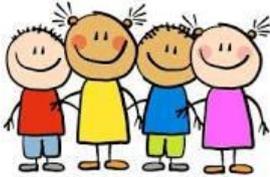




Welcome back after the holidays! We hope you've had a good rest and we know that lots of you will have recently celebrated Eid or Easter and we hope you had a wonderful time doing so. We thank you for your continued support and the work you are doing with the children at home.

#### Writing

Our topic this half term will be 'Childhood' and the children are very excited about this. We will spend the first two weeks writing exciting descriptions for how to make paper dolls and then the remaining four weeks writing exciting adventure stories based on this term's text *The Paper Dolls* by Julia Donaldson.



#### Science

As part of our science learning, we will also be exploring our bodies and our senses. We would love it if you could provide a photo of your child from when they were a baby or toddler so we can observe any changes. Photos can be handed directly to us on the door or emailed to [office@littlelondonprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@littlelondonprimary.co.uk) with your child's name and class clear for us to see please.

#### Reading

Books will continue to be changed on a weekly basis. Please make sure your child brings in their reading book and reading record to school **every day**, as the children will be read with during school time.

***Please read with your child at least three times a week and sign the reading record.***

#### Maths

In maths, the children will move on to counting in multiples. We will begin by counting in 2s then move on to counting in 10s and 5s. Practising number bonds to 10 and doubles are a really useful way to help your child cement their maths knowledge. Hit The Button and other fun games are available on the Top Marks website.

#### PE

PE kits are to be worn all day on PE days only. Check the signs on your child's classroom door to confirm which day your child has PE. Please make sure appropriate trainers are provided if not already in school.

*Millie Bright Class: PE days are on Tuesdays and Fridays*

*Julia Donaldson Class: PE days are Mondays and Thursdays*



#### Other information

##### **Key dates:**

Eid parties Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April for the whole school

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May- Bank Holiday, school closed

Summer 1 finishes - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Wednesday afternoon is Miss Jeffreys and Mr Walker's PPA time, so in this time Miss Shabbir and Miss Waud will be teaching.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to get in touch by speaking directly to us on the door or contacting us via Class Dojo

The Year 1 Team

##### **Homework**

Homework is given out on a Friday and shared via Class Dojo on the same day. Homework is entirely optional but we usually have an excellent uptake so thank you for working so hard to support your children at home.

##### **You can help by:**

At the end of Year 1 children should know all of their Set 1, Set 2 and Set 3 phonics sounds.

Please practise these at home with your child regularly using the video links below or typing Set 1 and 2 or 3 RWI sounds into Youtube. If you need any support accessing this, please consult your child's class teacher.

Set 1 pure sounds - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6OiU2h3sUI>

Set 2 sounds- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p7hRbrpq5Bo>

Set 3 sounds- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2o2b7nL1jrg>

Listening to your child read and sharing stories with them is so important. Please ask questions about the book to check your child's understanding. The books taken home by the children are of a high quality so it's important to make the best use of them, as they have been carefully matched to the reading level.

Here is a useful list of the 100 high frequency words. Please help your child to read and spell as many of these words as possible: <https://www.highfrequencywords.org/hfw100fp.pdf>

Hit The Button is a fun game where children can practise number bonds, addition facts and times tables. It can be played on most devices. <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>