



Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn 2021

*'Caring Hearts, Aspiring Minds'*

## Elm and Rowan Year 1 Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school. It is so lovely to see your smiley faces.

We will be spending the first few weeks settling back into the school routines and getting to know our new classroom and new class mates.

Our school rules are :

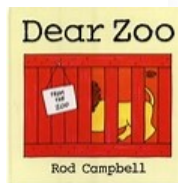
- Be Kind
- Be Safe
- Be Ready



This term our learning theme is based around **`All About Me.`**

We will also be linking learning to the texts:

- Giraffes Can't Dance
- Dear Zoo
- Owl Babies
- Avocado Baby
- Room on the Broom



In English we will be writing simple sentences, remembering to use our finger spaces. In reading the children will take part in Guided Reading, Shared Reading and Individual Reading.

In Math's we will be exploring Place Value as well as Addition and Subtraction. We will be working with manipulatives to answer calculations and number sentences. We will be following the White Rose scheme of work.

## **Topic**

In Geography the children will be learning about the continents and oceans.

In Science the children will be looking at seasonal changes.

In Art we will be introducing Picasso, in particular looking at self portraits.

In R.E the theme is celebrations.

## **Homework**

**Reading**—Your child will bring home a reading book in the next couple of weeks. We will change reading books once a week. For Elm class this will be either a Monday or Wednesday. For Rowan class this will be either Monday or Thursday. Please make sure your child brings their book to school everyday.

## **Spellings**—

We will add spellings to Google Classroom in the next few weeks. We will **not** be doing a formal spelling test. However, we will create fun spelling quizzes throughout our English lessons.

## **P.E Days**

Please send your child in their P.E clothes on their P.E day:

Elm— Tuesday

Rowans—Thursday

## **Polite reminder!**

- **Please remember to wash water bottles every night. Only water in water bottles please, no juice of fizzy drinks.**
- **Please check/empty book bags.**
- **Please ensure all belongings are clearly labelled.**
- **Please let the school office know about any medical/allergy concerns or changes.**
- **Please also let the school office know of any dietary choices or requirements that we may need to be informed of.**

If you need to contact your class teacher, you may through the class emails:

[elmclass@simmondley.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:elmclass@simmondley.derbyshire.sch.uk)

[rowanclass@simmondley.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:rowanclass@simmondley.derbyshire.sch.uk)

(We endeavor to answer emails as soon as possible.)

**Thank you and keep safe. Love Mrs. Gerrard and Miss Smith.**