

**Maesybryn Primary School**  
**Summer Term 2018**  
**Information for Parents of pupils in Year 1 in**  
**Mrs Street's class**

We hope that the following information will be helpful and will enable you to support your child's learning at home.

**Outline of some areas of topic work to be covered:**

- Our topic for the first half of this Summer Term is '[The Enchanted Woodland](#).' We will be focusing upon learning all about the outdoor environment..... looking at flowers, minibeasts, habitats, making our own outside dens, etc
- Our **science** this term will focus upon 'Living Things'. We will learn about what is a living thing and what it needs to stay alive. Naming the parts of the flower, dissecting a flower to see what we discover and carry out many experiments on how flowers grow.
- In **ICT** we will be watching many powerpoints of photos of the variety of minibeasts so the children can have a visual aid to describe their minibeasts/flowers etc
- **Geography** will be centred upon local fieldwork to the forest and carrying out surveys of what we discover and making maps.
- **PSE** will be building on our confidence and feeling positive and ways we can look after our environment.

**Information and artefacts which would be useful:**

- The children have set up a Enchanted Woodland in the classroom. Thank you all for some items given in already. They are really excited about this topic.
- Also we are hoping to get the chance to make some dens towards the end of the topic so we would be grateful if any den materials can be sent in.
- If the children have any factual books about forest, woodland, flowers, minibeasts, lifecycles etc we would be grateful for our library area and to build on the children's knowledge.

**Suggested ways in which you can support literacy and numeracy:**

- **Literacy** - Continue to explore language in everyday life with your child. Read signs and labels with them when you are out and about. We are concentrating on the traditional tale of **Little Red Riding Hood**. So please can you get your child to retell the story using appropriate vocabulary and use of adjectives in their story to keep it interesting. By the end of the term children will be working on a project to rewrite the story.
- Point out the punctuation such as full stops, speech marks, question marks in their weekly reading and encourage expression in reading aloud. Keep working on your child's individual reading each week and encouraging progress.
- **Numeracy** - This term we will be counting up in fives and tens and extending our abilities with addition and subtraction in readiness for Year 2. The children will be learning about tens and units in two digit numbers and be finding out about how to begin adding and subtracting them.
- Please encourage practical work at home on money (adding coins, finding change from 10p. 20p or a £1), on reading a clock and continue to work on Big Maths tests.
- We will be exploring and investigating measures e.g length, height, distance, weight and capacity. Can you please discuss with your child different forms of unit of measure.

**Other Information:**

- PE will continue on a Tuesday for Mrs Street's class. Please ensure all children have the required kit on these days.
- A school trip has been organised this term to Park Play on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July for all the infant classes. Letters have already been sent out so please ensure to return.
- **Important notice: Can all children please bring their reading books to school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May for inspection week and they will be returned on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May.**

Thank you for all your continued support  
Kind Regards,  
Mrs Street and Mrs Watkins