



South View Community Primary School

Spring 1 Class Newsletter

Year 1: Mrs Coker (Maples) and Mrs Anderson (Hazels)

Welcome to Year 1 Spring Term 1

This half term our topic is Castles, Kings and Queens. In Geography will be learning all about the United Kingdom, the 4 countries that make it and the capital cities of each country as well as finding out about the seas that surround the United Kingdom.

Alongside this, we are looking at the text *Where the Wild Things Are* in English “*When a boat appears, Max sails to the land of the wild things, where he finds huge, multicoloured monsters with big claws and teeth. Not frightened of anything, Max tames the wild things, who agree that he is the wildest of them all, and make him their king.*” This term our vehicle text is going to be used to inspire our classes to write their own portal narrative where a character travels to a new land and then non – chronological text about the Wild Things.

In Maths we will be using our knowledge of place value to 20 to help us solve addition and subtraction calculations using different methods and representations. We will then start looking at the place value of numbers up to 50.

During our Science lessons this term we will be learning all about everyday materials, we will name them, sort them and explore their properties.

Important dates:

15 th January	Hazels Class Bikeability Course – ParentMail reminder will follow next week for children who have signed up for this.
16 th January	Maples Class Bikeability Course – ParentMail reminder will follow next week for children who have signed up for this.
9 th February	Last day of term

We will inform you of any other important dates for the term as and when they are added.

How you can support your child at home

Please continue reading your levelled phonics book with your child four times per week to help build accuracy and fluency and enjoy sharing your reading for pleasure books. Don't forget to record all of these reads in your child's reading record. New common exception word scores will be sent home within the first week or two of the new term. Please continue to support your child in learning how to read and spell these words.

Reminders

Remember to send your child to school in their PE kit on:

Hazels Class	Maples Class
Wednesday and Thursday	Wednesday and Friday

If the weather permits, we will be using the outside areas to teach our PE lessons. Please send your child into school wearing appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather. Please ensure earrings are removed or covered with tape before sending your child into school on PE days.

We provide your child with a healthy snack every day at breaktime however, if you would like to send in your own snack, this needs to be a healthy option, for example a piece of fruit.

This year your child will still have lots of access to outdoor learning and use of the outdoor equipment. We strongly advise you send your child in to school with a pair of wellies or waterproof trainers that they can keep in their locker to use for such activities and prolong the wear of their school shoes.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation

The Year 1 Team

Mrs Coker and Mrs Anderson.