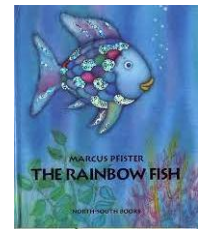
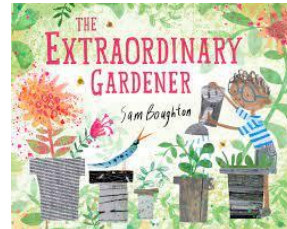


YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER

We can't believe that the Easter break is here already, the children have been working very hard and have enjoyed all our events this term. We think you'll agree they are very tired and ready for the holiday!

Next half term our 'Talk Through Stories' texts will be **The Extraordinary Gardener** and **The Rainbow Fish**



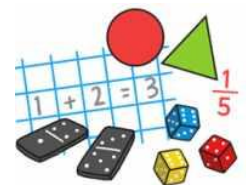
In English we will link our writing to the texts that we read in 'Talk Through Stories'. We will be working on using interesting language in our sentences including adjectives and the suffixes -ed and -ing.

Thank you for all your support with spellings, these will continue fortnightly, with the spelling homework due in on the final Friday- we are seeing many children using these in their writing which is fantastic!



Don't forget to make the most of our e-library - it's a great resource to support home reading with books and quizzes added weekly. If you haven't already logged in, then why not have a look over the Easter break?

In Mathematics we will be applying our skills of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s when learning about multiplication and division. We will focus on grouping objects equally, doubles and halves and then move onto simple fractions. To end the half term, we will revisit position and direction allowing us to practice our mathematical vocabulary.



Half term challenge

In preparation for our art work next half term it would be great to take part in the My Dog Sighs treasure hunt and send us a picture via

office@meonwayfederation.org.uk

More details can be found here - <https://mydogsighs.co.uk/>



Foundation Subjects

Year 1 will be covering the following subjects this half term.

Art	We will be focusing on a local artist and looking at the work of 'My Dog Sighs'. We will be looking at his 'Everyman' paintings as well as designing and making our own versions of these.
Science	Plants, trees and flowers We will learn about common plants and trees in the UK, label the parts of a plant/tree and find out what plants need to survive. We will enrich our learning with our visit to QE Country Park in May. Please see the separate letter for more details.
Geography	In Geography we will recap our previous learning about the seasons and explore different types of weather within the UK.
RE	Our focus in RE this half term is community and we will learn about generosity in our community and other faiths.
DT	This half term, we will be designing and making our own smoothie. <u>In order to be able to provide a range of ingredients we would appreciate a £1 donation per child to cover costs. This can be sent in with your child or can be paid through Arbor App (under Trips)</u>
PE	Year 1 will have PE on a Wednesday. Please ensure children come to school into their PE kit and have outdoor clothing as we may be outside if the weather permits.

Dates for your diary

Monday 13th April - Summer term begins

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday

QECP visits - Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th May 2026

Friday 22nd May - Dance for Diabetes

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May - Half term break

Monday 8th June - Friday 12th June - Phonics Screening Week

Please also see whole school newsletter for dates and events



Thank you for your ongoing support and we hope you all have a great Easter break.