

Year 1 Class News



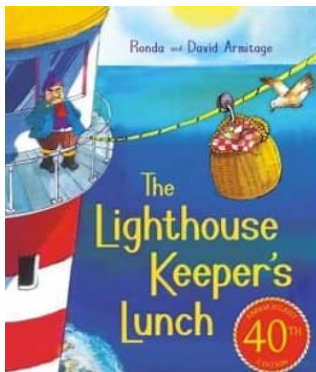
Summer Term 2023 – 2024

Welcome back to another action-packed term at NPA. The following newsletter will highlight everything you need to know for the Summer term.

Year One Summer Curriculum 2024

English: We will be continuing to work on our sentences, making sure we have put capital letters and full stops in them. We will also be using exclamation marks and question marks. We will be checking for finger spaces and correctly formed letters. As well as this, we will be adding adjectives to our sentences to make them more interesting and using **and** to make our sentences longer. We will also be using our knowledge of phonics to help with spellings and spelling common words independently. We will be writing poems about the seaside.

Our main text will be *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch* and we will be writing all about Mr Grinling and his crazy antics! We will also be looking at various non-fiction books about the seaside.



Phonics and Reading: We will be following the Little Wandle phonics scheme. Children will have guided reading sessions matched to their phonics level at least three times a week and then bring this book home to practice at the end of the week.

Maths: In Maths we will be working on making sure we have all the concepts we need ready for Year 2. This will include working on, number and place value, addition and subtraction, shapes and patterns, measures (including time), fractions, multiplication and division, position and movement and doubles up to 10.

Science: In Science we will be continuing our work on the seasons and be looking at signs that it is Summer. We will also be working on the topic 'Animals including humans' and be thinking about parts of our bodies and how humans and animals grow up healthily.

Geography/ History: In Geography we will be researching features of the seaside and looking and human and physical features. We will be learning about the four points of the compass and we will also compare and contrast the seaside to our environment. In History, we will be thinking about what the seaside was like in the past.

PE: Our P.E days this term will continue to be Wednesdays and Fridays. We will be working on Dance and Athletics.

RE: In R.E we will be studying belonging in the first half of the term and Judaism and the traditions that they follow in the second half.

Music: We will be learning about tempo, timbre and rhythmic patterns, through the theme of under the sea. We will be having glockenspiel lessons every Wednesday.

Art/DT: In Art and Design Technology we will be drawing and painting. We will be looking at the colours and patterns on insects and learning about the illustrator Eric Carle. We will be designing, making and evaluating when we make our own puppets.

PSHCE: We will be following the 'My Happy Mind' programme to learn all about how our brains work and why we behave the way we do. We also follow the 'No outsiders' programme to learn all about inclusivity and celebrate our diversity.

Class Dojo

As you know, the pupils work very hard each week to earn 'Dojo Points' for effort and achievement, as well as use of their Learning Powers and manners, attendance and smart uniform. We highlight the weekly 'Dojo Masters' (top earners) each Thursday during our Celebration Assembly. These are pupils who have achieved the top number of Dojos in their class.

Learning Powers

Here at Nantwich Primary Academy our Learning Powers are the values we use to help us on 'our The Pathway to Success'. Each Learning Power/Value is a building block, exercising the powers every day builds learning muscles so that we can be all round great learners! Each week we celebrate these in our Celebration Assembly and School Newsletter. The children also receive one of the characters to look after for the week.

Homework

Your child will receive a Homework Overview sheet each half term explaining the home learning that should take place matched with Dojo points. We award extra dojo points for each of the categories (1 dojo, 3 dojos, 5 dojos) if the home learning in shows extra effort.

Weekly homework should also include time to work on Reading. Even 10 minutes a day will have a hugely positive impact on your child's learning.

Reading diaries/Reading books

Each child will have a reading diary and reading book for home reading. When you read at home with your child, do write in the diary as we can then reward your child for their efforts with Dojos and rewards. The more times your child reads the more prizes they will receive! As well as a book matched to their Phonics level, your child will also bring home a 'love to read book' to share with you.

Snack

Snack is available each day. 50p will buy a piece of toast and drink with a bacon roll and drink for £1.30 on Fridays! Your child will not need much more than our offer as lunchtime soon comes round. If you are sending in snacks from please provide a healthy choice, crisps and chocolate bars can be kept to lunchtime. Polite reminder that we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**.

PE Kit and Uniform

We will continue 'Fitness Friday' this academic year. All pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 must be in PE kit every Friday unless otherwise stated. Your child will have two PE sessions every week but will be active at other times too. Year One P.E days are Wednesdays and Fridays. Our Healthy lifestyle programme is also part of these sessions including cooking. School Uniform should be correctly worn at all times this can be found on the school website.

<https://www.nantwichprimaryacademy.org/uniform>