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# A place for everyone to succeed and thrive

Year 1 Newsletter: Spring 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Reading and Phonics**

We encourage the children to independently change their reading books each morning. We would like to ask you to keep up the good work and read with your child for at least 10 minutes every night. This really benefits their reading and phonics progress. In the summer term, each Year 1 child will undertake a national progress check in phonics so regular reading supports their development.

#### **Lewes Castle**

The children really enjoyed their time at Lewes Castle. Despite the cold weather, the children were able to explore the castle grounds and learn about what life would have been like in the past. They tried on period costumes, helmets, chain mail and investigated real medieval artefacts such as arrow heads. After climbing to the top of the castle, the children were able look out for miles through the arrow slits as well as spotting the murder holes and turrets.

#### **Mathematics**

We will continue to develop the maths curriculum with a focus this term on place value and the numbers to 50. We will practise counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10 to prepare the children for times tables later in the year. We will then be using our skills to measure length, weight and capacity.

### **World Book Day**

The children enjoyed a fabulous House Event to celebrate World Book Day on Wednesday. The focus of the day was to share books and partake in fun activities based on books. It was a fantastic celebration of books and reading. Thank you to everyone who braved the snow to get into school.

### **Dates for your diary**

## - Parents evening - Tuesday 6th March and Thursday 8th March

Please sign up for a slot to speak to us and look at your child's wonderful work.

## - Last day of term - Wednesday 28th March

Please remember that we are always available for you talk to us at the start or end of the day if you have any queries or need to share any information.

Kind regards, Miss Barnett (1B) and Miss Morris (1M)





