



Year 1 Newsletter

Spring 2

Welcome back to another busy term! We hope you had a restful break.

We are looking forward to extending our learning across the term and as always, we are particularly excited to be celebrating World Book Day. We will make links to the National Year of Reading and will be encouraging children to share their own love of reading! Please continue to encourage reading at home and record this in reading logs - the children are working very hard towards their reading achievements.

Thank you for your continued support, and as always please speak to a member of the team if you have any concerns!



Dates for your diary

27th February — Non Uniform Day

6th March — World Book Day

16/17th March — Parent's evening

19th March — KS1 Crafternoon

26th March — Spring sing

Sharing a worry

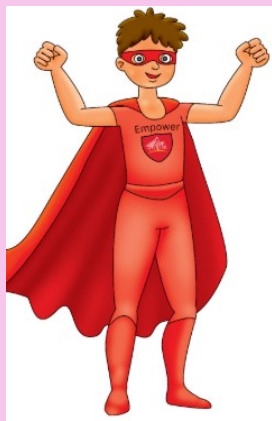
Everyone, everyday has a mixture of feelings and thoughts. We **empower** the children by encouraging them to talk to an adult at school. Our younger children and older ones can always talk to an adult during play and break times. We also teach the children to either show their feeling on the feeling chart (Nursery / Reception) or to write their name on a blue post it note (Year 1-6). An adult will then speak to them about a worry or a concern.

If as parents you would like to speak to a member of our pastoral team about a worry or concern, please contact the academy office.

To **empower** ourselves when learning we need good listening we follow SLANT.

Good listening means SLANT

- S**it up
- L**ean in and listen
- A**sk and answer questions
- N**od your head
- T**rack the speaker



Our Value this half term is 'Empower'

Empower - A Norwich Road Academy Super Learner empowers others with their learning and empowers themselves to take on new challenges with their learning. They take risks and are not afraid to get things wrong. They grow in confidence and enthusiasm.

This half term we will be focusing on hard work and trying our best. We will try and help ourselves when completing tasks by using a range of resources. Super Learners will be aware of their next learning steps and use feedback to improve their work.

Curriculum Focus

English

This half term in English, we are going to be looking at instruction writing. We will focus on using words such as first, then, next and finally.

Alongside this, we will continue to focus on independent sentence writing and consistently using the correct punctuation.

Maths

This half term we will be looking at place value to 50. We will be adding, subtracting, looking at tens and ones in numbers up to 50 as well as continuing to embed facts such as number bonds and doubles. We will also be looking at measurement including length and weight.

Science

In Science we will be looking at the importance of caring for the Earth. We will look at the different materials which are damaging the Earth and the different ways in which humans can help to protect and reduce the damage that is being done.



Phonics

As we move closer to the Year 1 phonics screening check, we will be working very hard to ensure that children are confident in recognising all digraphs and trigraphs as well as carefully and accurately blending to read. Keep an eye on dojo where we will post practice videos that you can use at home.

DT

In DT this term we will be introducing the children to sewing! They will be having a go at creating, planning, making and evaluating their very own sock puppets. They will think carefully about the materials that need to be used before making them, and will spend time evaluating what went well and how they could be made even better!

Life Skills

In life skills we will be discussing 'citizenship'. This will involve looking at the importance of rules and democracy, the needs of animals and babies and celebrating the similarities and differences of us all.



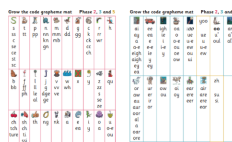
RE

Our RE learning for this half term will introduce the children to the religion of Judaism. We will look specifically at Shabbat and what Jewish people remember during this time.



Key skills

We will be using our key skills lessons to consolidate previous learning. We will be using the time to increase our confidence in phonics as well as continuing to practice our cursive hand writing.



History

In History we will be exploring Kings and Queens. We will be looking at the roles of Kings and Queens and how significant historical events have impacted the power that they have. We will also begin to understand how and why Parliament was established.



For further information on our curriculum please visit our website at: www.norwichroadacademy.co.uk

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