Year 1 - Information for Term 6

If you wish to make contact, you can:

- Email (info@fva.clf.uk) or telephone (0117 3532902) the school office.
- Email the year one mailbox (year1@fva.clf.uk).
- Speak face to face at the end of the day, once all of the children have been collected.

Please use the following link for our home learning tasks, and for other useful class information: https://fromevalecitizens.wordpress.com/year-1/

Dear parents / Carers,

Welcome to Term 6 of Year 1!

If you have any questions about your child or what we are doing in class, please feel free to speak with me in the playground, before or after school, or alternatively telephone the office for an appointment.

We are Learners

The progress of each child is tracked throughout his/her time at school. Termly, teachers meet with SLT and support staff to look at individual attainment and progress in assessments and classwork.

We are Readers

The children have all been provided with reading records, they also have levelled reading books.

- You should read with your child at least 3 times
- Yellow stickers are placed in your child's reading record with their current reading level and next step.
- Please make sure that your child brings their book bag, reading log and reading books every day.
- Children will be able to borrow both fiction and non-fiction books to read for pleasure at home, if they wish.
- Children reading non-decodable books can independently change their reading books in the morning.

We are Athletes

PE is taught on a Wednesday morning and a Friday afternoon. Please ensure that your child attends school in their P.E kit.

We are Writers

This term we will read another book called 'The snail and the whale' written by Julia Donaldson.

When a tiny snail meets a humpback whale, the two travel together to far-off lands. It's a dream come true for the snail, who has never left home before. But when the whale swims too close to shore, will the snail be able to save her new friend?

We will continue to develop our character and setting descriptions, to make our writing more interesting and engaging to the reader.

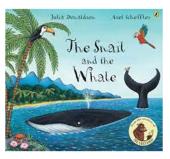
Using this book, the children will be working on improving their writing using adjectives, connectives, and noun phrases.

We will be working on the composition in our writing. This includes sequencing events of the story, rereading and checking own work and using quality sentence starters.

Following this book, we will look at non-chronological reports and we will produce an outcome for a fact file on an animal.

We will continue (as always) to include in our every time we write features, which are:

- Capital letters
- Full stops
- Finger spaces
- Presentation / Handwriting / Letter formation



Our Real PE unit focuses on health and fitness skills, and we will be promoting the use of equipment appropriately, saying how our bodies feel before, during and after exercise, and to know why exercise is important for good health.

We are Mathematicians

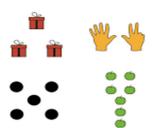
In mathematics we will explore money. This will be a very practical block of learning. Following this, we will begin our learning journey on position and direction, along with time.

Across our learning, we will know key mathematical facts, recalling them quickly and accurately. There will be opportunities for logical thinking to derive the correct problem-solving strategy. And we will promote children's thinking to find a way to apply their knowledge and skills to answer unfamiliar types of problems.

We are Mathmagicians

Our mathmagicians sessions are designed to be a highly visual number fact teaching programmes, which supports children to develop a deep understanding of number and number relationships, and fluency in addition and subtraction facts.

This unit within our mathmagicians sessions will support children in developing their ability to understand number neighbours, and 7 tree and 9 square.



We are Frome Vale Citizens

This half term our Frome Vale Citizens topic is 'changing me. We will be learning about

- life cycle
- my changing body
- learning and growing
- coping with change

Our learning behaviour is 'curiosity, and our value is 'humility. During this term, we will visit our school display boards and talk about visitor rules.

We are Scientists

Our topic this term in science will be 'animals.' We will be learning to name different animals from the groups, fish, mammals, amphibians, reptiles, and birds. We will be learning to describe common features of different animal types, along with the life cycle of some animals.

We are Artists

As Artists, we are going to learn about '3D.' This will include the exploration of a variety of malleable materials.



We are Home Learners

Please use our love of Learning WordPress page for weekly updates.

Love of learning activities will be issued on a Friday, and they should be returned on the following Thursday.

We are Geographers

This term, we are being Geographers.

Our key concept focuses on the question 'why is it important to understand where we are?'