

## Dates this half term

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Oak Class assembly

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November** – Children in Need – donate £1 and Wear spotty clothes or Children in Need T-shirts

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** – Badger Class Assembly

**Trips to the Lowry Theatre to watch The Stickman**

**Year 2** – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

**Reception** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

**Year 1** – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – nursery am trip to Cockfields Farm

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – nursery pm trip to Cockfields Farm

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Delph band visiting

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Reception and Nursery performances at 10:00am and 2:00pm (more details to follow)

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – KS2 performance – 2:00pm

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Celebration parties at school (more details to follow)

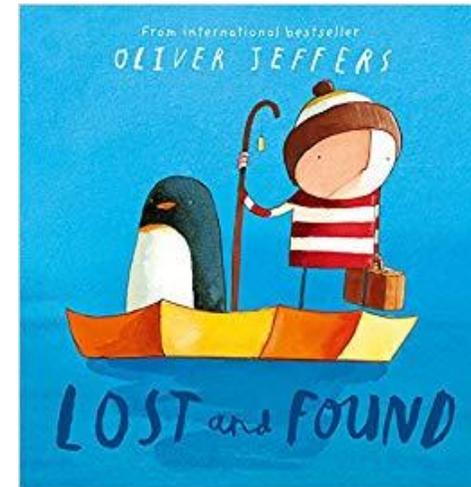
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas dinner day – children to wear Christmas jumpers today.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – KS1 performances at 10:00am and 2:00pm (more details to follow)

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – Parents to collect children from school at 1:00pm. **NO NURSERY ALL DAY**

# YEAR 1

## Autumn Term



**Why on Earth would you  
go there?**

## Welcome to Year 1.

### English:

Our English lessons this half term are based around the 'Lost and Found' text. This text is based on a penguin being lost and the feelings and emotions attached to this. There is also a focus on the journey the penguin makes. The children will be learning about retelling stories, writing sentences, create lists, writing the next part of the story using our imagination. We will also be using drama to support our learning.

### Maths:

Maths this half term will be a recap of place value. The children will be learning the numbers to 20, number bonds to 10 and 20. Within numbers to 20, we will be looking at addition and subtraction. We will be using money to support our knowledge of place value. We will also be leaning one more and one less than a number. There will also be a continued focus on telling time to o'clock and half past.

### Reading:

Every child will participate in guided reading activities and reading sessions every week and will need to read their reading book at home every night, we aim to read with every child within a week and check their books daily. Please sign the yellow reading record so your child can change their book—**unsigned reading records will not be changed.** You can extend your child's reading at home by giving them extensions—writing what they think might happen next, design a new front cover, write a diary entry as a character from the book. Please ensure you ask your child questions about the book to help their comprehension and understanding of the book. Again, can we stress the importance of reading at home daily, it is **ESSENTIAL**.

### Learning Challenge and science:

Our topic this half term is 'Why on Earth would you go there?' We will have a focus on Geography and the world around us. We will be exploring the North and South Poles and the Equator, and how these affect the temperature of the area and the animals that may live there.

We will look at identification of countries in relation the Poles and the Equator. There will be continued development of artistic skills throughout the topic lessons, with children given opportunities to develop their creative skills. We have set up a travel agents' within CP that children will be able to use in role play tasks.

### Additional information:

Forest school— Each class will have a bi-weekly forest school. Please ensure your child has a waterproof coat, hat, scarf and gloves as it is much colder as we get into winter.

Labels in clothes—please ensure your child's name is in every piece of clothing.

Investors in pupils—Owl class target – signing home reading book at least once a week.

**Squirrel class target** – to take turns when speaking during carpet sessions rather than shouting out.

**Owl class target** – to have their reading record signed daily.

P.E days – Both classes will have a P.E lesson on Tuesday morning and Friday morning. We also have a dance session on a Monday afternoon. Please ensure children have got black shorts, a white t-shirt, and pumps for indoor lessons and black jogging bottoms for outdoor lessons.

Water bottles: please send the children into school with a water bottle every day.

Early morning readers starts at 8:30am, the doors will then be locked at 8:45am. The remaining children will be collected from the yard at 8:55.

If you have any worries or concerns, please come and speak to us. We want to ensure all the children have a fantastic year with us.

Thank you, Mr Morgan, Mr Flanagan and the Year 1 team.