

# Barleyhurst Park Primary School

## Crocodiles Newsletter

Autumn 2021



**Crocodiles snap into action ready to learn!**

### ***Welcome back Crocodiles!***

Welcome back Crocodiles! We hope you and your child have stayed safe and well over the summer break. I am looking forward to getting to know you all this year.



This term, we will be studying 'Bright Lights, Big City'. This includes learning about the Queen and having an exciting tea party! The features of London and different capitals of the UK will also be looked at.

In maths, we will be focusing on counting and recognising and writing numbers. We will also be looking at being able to describe positions and creating patterns with shapes.

'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' is our initial focus for English which we will explore through drama, group reading and story writing. Additionally, instruction writing and poetry will be other topics we will be doing.

#### Reminders for important days in Year 1-

- **PE is on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday**. Please ensure that your child comes in wearing their PE kit to school for the whole day and is wearing appropriate footwear.
- Spellings are given out weekly on a **Friday** and tested on the following **Friday**, please ensure that your child practises their spellings daily.
- **Homework** is given out on a **Thursday** and is due in on a **Tuesday**.
- Children need to bring in their own water bottles to school. If you need a water bottle, you can buy one from the office for £1.
- Ideally, any packed lunches would be brought in to school in a disposable bag, but you would prefer your child to use a traditional lunch box, please ensure it is named so that it can be returned easily.

#### How you can help your child:-

##### Reading:

- Try to share a story as often as you can.
- Ask your child questions about the book they are reading to develop their comprehension.
- Remember to fill in their reading record (it doesn't need to be much, just the name of the book, the date and who they read with).

##### Maths:

- Help them practise their counting as well as recognising and drawing their numbers to 50.

##### General:

- Encourage them to complete their homework and their spellings.

Dates for your diary-

- Book Week will be taking place on the last week of this half term, 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> of October- More details to follow nearer the time.

I hope this gives you an insight into what we will be doing over the first half term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and speak to me, or one of the Year 1 team.

Kind regards,

Ms Ferrett