



# WINHILLS

## Year 1

# Fortnightly Newsletter

### English

In year 1, we have been reading *The Lonely Beast*. The story is about a beastly creature, who feels lonely and decides to go in search for some friends. The children have been retelling, acting out and retelling the story in their own words. They have been able to create their own beast character and describe them. The children have been working really hard to improve their use of adjectives, noun phrases and verbs within their writing.

### Maths

We started the year off by recapping our place value knowledge to 10 and 20. The children challenged themselves with a range of activities to show their understanding and knowledge of numbers. They have also been focusing on using a number line for both addition and subtraction. We have been working really hard to improve our number sense and quick recall of number bonds to help us with our learning. We have started to look at word problems and identifying the key information within.

### Topic

This term the children's main topic is 'Explorers'. Every few weeks they will discover and learn about a new explorer. This term the children have been learning all about the explorer Christopher Columbus. The children have been able to plot his route, label his ship and discover what Christopher found at the end of his journey.

### Reminders

We change our reading books **every day**. Please can the children bring their books in every day to ensure they can be changed. Please aim to complete **five reads and a book talk** each week, this is an easy way for your child to earn Dojo points.

Year 1 children have to **complete 30 minutes of Numbots each week**. The children will be rewarded with Dojo points for completing their Numbots homework.

New spelling homework is given to the children on Wednesday each week. This should be completed and returned the following Monday.

If homework is not completed each week, the children will not receive their full treat time on a Friday to enable them complete outstanding homework. If there are any issues with completing homework please let a member of the year 1 team know.

**Nurture**

**Inspire**

**Flourish**