

Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 20th December 2024

If you need to contact your child's teacher, please use the class email below:

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Kerr class: Kerrclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Rosen class: Rosenclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

McKee Class: Mckeeclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Important Messages

We would like to thank all the children for their hard work this half term. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. See you all in the New Year.

Monday 6th January 2025 – INSET Day. School will be closed for children.

Tuesday 7th January 2025 – Children's first day back to school.

On **Tuesday 7th January 2024** we are having a WOW Day as part of our new topic 'Paws, Scales and Tails'. Your child can dress up as an animal or wear animal print clothes.

Year 1 Keep in Touch parent workshop will be held on **Wednesday 15th January 2025 @ 9.00 am** in the main hall. We will discuss what your child will be learning in Spring 1.

English

In the first week the children will be exploring our topic: Paws, Scales and Tails. They will be engaging in various activities about animals, learn about their habitat and what they eat.

They will learn about questions and question marks.

[What is a question mark](#) [Question marks explained](#) [Question marks for kids](#) [Kids punctuation ks2 - YouTube](#)



Maths

Next half term the children will be working with numbers up to 50. Please help your child to count objects up to 50 forwards and backwards and practice writing numbers up to 50

Things to do at home

[I Can Count to 50 NOW! Jack Hartmann - YouTube](#)



Write numbers to 50.

Phonic Sounds of the Week



Next week we will be reviewing phase 3 and learning alternative phase 5 sounds. Our focus sounds have been:

y (ee) happy silly funny hairy carry smelly
ea (e) head bread ready spread feather
wh (e) whisper wheel white whale whimper
oe(oa) toe woe goes
ou (oa) shoulder boulder

They have learnt the following tricky words. Please encourage your child to practise reading and spelling these words and writing them in a sentence.

any many again

Word of the Week

Careless

Not giving sufficient attention or thought to avoiding harm or errors.

Challenge: Can you write a sentence using this word?

Each Thursday we have an achievement assembly where the class teacher chooses a child who stood out because of their amazing learning, behaviour or values.

McKee –

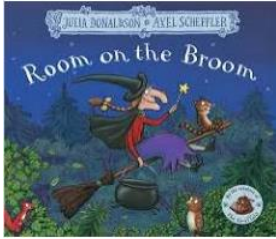
Kerr –

Rosen –

Browne –



Well done superstars!!



Home learning

We have sent a homework pack that has the learning that we have completed in this half term. Please ensure that your child completes this over the holidays. You **do not** have to return it to school.

Year 1 half term homework packs

Add the capital letters and full stops in the correct places. The re-write the sentences on the lined paper provided.

1. today is monday and it is the f1st school day of the week
2. i like to eat orange and banana's
3. ms wigzell is the headteacher of Winterbourne school
4. in december the weather is cold and grey
5. my favourite subject at school is maths

Add the correct suffixes 'es or s' at the end of the root word. But remember the rule!

There is a rule!

If the word ends with one of these sounds we cannot add an 's' we have to add an 'es'



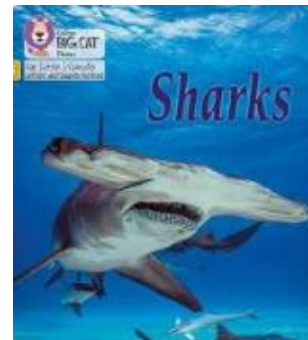
Reading Books & Reading Records

Your child will be given a new book along with their reading record. Inside there will be a note/comment on how your child is finding the book. Please read with your child and if possible provide a comment/ note on how they read the book at home.

Please note: We collect the children's reading books on **Monday**, they return home with a new book on **Friday**.

If your child fails to return it or if it is damaged, we will be asking you to pay **£5** to replace it.

To avoid this, when you are listening to your child read at home, please encourage them to put their book into their book bag as soon as they have finished, that then means that they will always have their book when they are at school.



Attendance w/e 20/12/24

We will continue to monitor attendance.

Browne class – 92.6%

Kerr class – 93.8%

McKee class – 93.7%

Rosen class – 91%

School Matters!

