



# Ernesettle Community School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 1! We hope you have had an enjoyable summer holiday! In the first term back our topic is 'Amazing Architecture'. Within this topic we will be learning about the structures and shapes of buildings around the world. We will be making links with our topic and be looking to improve our outside play area, building bird houses and bird baths from old plant pots. If you find any old pallets, large pieces of wood, spare plant pots, old Lego or toys, then please let your child's new class teacher know. Additionally, if you've been on holiday over the summer and spotted any unusual buildings, please bring in any photographs so these can be displayed in your child's classroom. During this topic we are going to take a walk around our local community to explore different types of buildings. Fortunately, we are lucky enough to be able to give the children educational opportunities at no cost to yourselves throughout the year!

Homework expectations include reading at least three times per week, completing a weekly spelling sheet and a weekly home learning task. As well as the homework task, your child's learning for the week will be described and their next week's learning will be explained. If you can find the time to talk to your child about this future learning and complete this homework they will receive an extra 5 golden tickets! **Homework books** should be handed in on a **Thursday** so that new spelling sheets and homework can be added and your child's spelling test score can be reported. Homework books will be returned to you on Friday. A termly 'Family Homework' challenge will be set, details of which will be displayed at the front of your child's homework book. We would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the Parents/Carers who continue to support their child's learning at home.

In English this term we will be looking at the traditional tale 'The Three Little Pigs' and a firm favourite 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'. We will be learning to read and write our own versions of 'The Three Little Pigs' and learning how to write lists. We will continue to practise handwriting and fine motor skills daily, so that your children develop speed and confidence with their writing. Maths will focus on number order and place value. We will learn to use new addition and subtraction skills, alongside developing our times tables. In the afternoons we will be building our very own strong houses for The Three Little Pigs and the 'Huff and Puff test'! Please keep any kitchen roll tubes, seeds, lentils, coffee beans, dried sticks, lolly pop sticks and small cardboard boxes and pass these on to your child's new class teacher. Thank you in advance for this!

**PE** will be on a **Wednesday** for both **1KT** and **1PH**. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit and water bottle in school on this day. As part of the school policy, if your child does not have their PE kit in school on this day they will unfortunately miss their break time until it is brought in.

Just to remind you, all children in Key Stage 1 are now entitled to a free school meal each day. There will be four options available each day including a hot meal, a vegetarian option, a jacket potato with filling or a sandwich.

Thank you for your continued support, it really does make a difference.

Miss Terry and Miss Hamley

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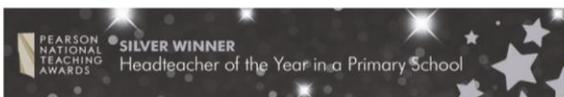
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