

# YEAR 1



## newsletter

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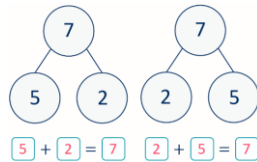
### WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT?

**English:** With a focus on instructions, we have been writing letters and thinking about the steps needed to post a letter. We have been following instructions to help us consider what makes a good set of instructions, including studying the verbs these include.

**Phonics:** We have now learnt different spellings for the sounds /ae/ and /ee/. Our focus for the last two weeks has been on learning to read and spell the /oe/ sound spelt < o oe ow oa>.

**Maths:** Children have been using the Part Whole model to help them understand related addition sentences.

They have explored these with different equipment including counters and numicon.



**Science:** Our learning this term is around animals. We have begun by classifying animals into groups: Reptiles, Mammals, Amphibians, Birds and Fish.

**Geography:** We are considering our local area using maps, this has been supported with our local walk to the post box!

**RE:** We have been thinking about how different religions welcome babies.

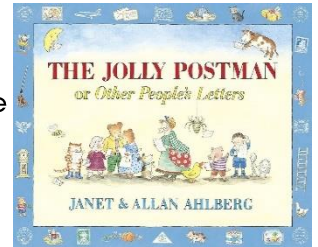
**PSHE:** We have been thinking about our emotions, as well as ensuring we understand the NSPCC Pants rule.

**PE:** We have begun our gymnastics unit this term, we have been thinking about how we can travel using our bodies in different ways. Using animals as inspiration, we thought of different levels and speed of travel.



### WHAT ARE WE READING?

We are using 'The Jolly Postman' to support our writing of instructions. We have enjoyed writing letters to our friends at Coxheath and St Katherines, and we have sequenced what we did so that we can write instructions for Reception to help them be able to do the same.



### COMING UP

18-22 NOVEMBER

Road Safety Week

22 NOVEMBER

PTA Non-Uniform day (for Christmas Fair)

23 NOVEMBER

PTA Christmas Fair

### REMINDERS

- Please remember that children should not be bringing toys to school. We do not want your items to be lost or broken.
- Show and Tell - We would love to see your **achievement awards**. These can be given to your teacher at the start of the day. Again please no personal items.
- From Monday, no **notebooks and pens** will be allowed in school. We have plenty of equipment and this is to save loss of personal items.
- Please send in **jogging bottoms and black sweatshirts** for PE now that the weather is becoming colder.