

Spring 1 2019

# Squirrel Drey News



Happy New Year to all parents and children in Year 1 and welcome back to school!

## Pen Pals

The children are very excited at becoming 'Pen Pals' with the year 1 children at our partner school St. John's. We will also be hosting a visit from them. More details will follow.

## Phonics Test

A reminder that this test will take place in June. Please continue to practise the phoneme cards that were sent home last term. Your child will need to be able to spot these groups of letters (digraphs and trigraphs) within words in order to read both real and 'alien' words. The children will participate in a mock test this month.

## Photographs

Thank you for sending in photographs of the children as babies and their families. This makes the learning in class more personal for them. We shall enjoy playing 'Name the Baby'! (I wonder

## Home Reading

It is important that your child experiences reading a variety of texts. Any additional books read or listened to will help broaden their knowledge and understanding of words. Please remember that reading diaries require a signature for books to be changed.

## Our Learning Plan

Our Topic for this Term is called 'Family Album'. Please see the Curriculum map below for more information about the learning we will be doing. Please note that not all elements of the plan may be covered.

## The Tiger Who Came to Tea

We had a wonderful visit to The Birmingham Town Hall to watch 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'. Your children enjoyed the audience participation and their conduct was, as ever, fantastic. Our learning during week one was based around the book.

## Maths Homework

Will be uploaded, when appropriate, each week. Please keep an eye out for printed sheets, which may be sent as an alternative. These will be in Book Bags.

## Handwriting

Handwriting sheets will be sent home in book bags so that we can practise at home and be 'Super Squirrel Writers'.

Thank you for your continued support  
Mrs A. R. Till.

