

# Year 1 Newsletter 13.05.22



## Year 1 Superstars



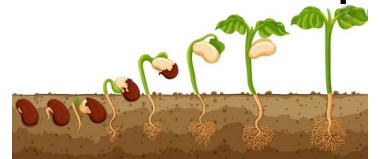
The Year 1 children have been working incredibly hard over the last two weeks and giving their all across the whole curriculum. They had a great visit to the Stephenson Steam Railway Museum this week where we were incredibly proud of their enthusiasm and behaviour. A big thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who supported us on this trip—we could not do it without you!

## Curriculum



In Art, we have further explored the skill of printing by creating our own cardboard prints. We were given a selection of materials such as lolly sticks, art straws, corrugated card and pipe cleaners to create interesting shapes and textures. We then stuck them to our piece of card ready for printing with. The children were very creative in their designs and we cannot wait to see what pictures and patterns they create with them in our art lesson next week.

As part of our Science curriculum we have been developing our Year 1 garden by creating our very own allotment. The children learnt how to plant and take care of vegetables and we linked this to the DT from last term where we learnt which part of the plants we eat and how to tell the difference between fruit and vegetables. We are growing radishes, lettuce, carrots, beans, peas and potatoes and we cannot wait to taste them next half term!



In PE we have been developing our skills in striking games. We discussed some of the sports where striking is a key skill e.g. tennis, cricket, golf and then practised striking balls of different shapes and sizes with our hands, discussing which were easier or more difficult to hit. It was really fun turning our skills into

## Chick Project



Our chick project is well under way and the excitement is building to meet our feathered friends! This week, all of the children had the opportunity to candle the eggs with Mr Willcock to see the developing embryo moving inside. The children were fascinated by what they saw! We have also watched videos to help the children understand what is happening and how the embryos are developing each day. While everyone is very excited and keen to see some the new arrivals, we have explained to the children that, just as in the wild, eggs will sometimes not hatch at the end of the incubation period. That said, we have still been carefully checking off each day on our calendar and hope we have some 'cracking' news to share with you next week!



## Coats

Please can you ensure that your child brings a coat to school every day. Although the weather has been much improved recently, there is always the risk of an unexpected shower and we are enjoying lots of opportunities to take our learning outside this term. Thank you for your support.



## Whitley Bay Food Bank

A Bay Foodbank bucket will be outside the Year 1 classroom doors every day next week. Any donations would be gratefully received. The foodbank's current wish list includes:

Tinned Meat (Spam etc)

Tinned Pies

Hot Dogs

Meatballs

Tinned Custard

Tinned Fruit

Tinned Vegetables

Tinned Pasta

Long Life Milk

Rice Pudding

Savoury Snacks (Crisps etc)

Sweet Snacks (Chocolate etc)

## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 17th May—class photos

Friday 27th May Teacher training day—school closed

Monday 6th June—additional bank holiday for the Queen's Jubilee

Advance notice—Year 1 sports day Tuesday 21st June 2pm (reserve date in case of bad weather Monday 27th June 1pm)