

KS1 Headlines – Week 3

KS1 children have settled in really well to the new term. Thank you for bearing with us during drop-off & collection to help speed up the process of children entering the building in a safe and speedy manner. It has been so lovely to see so many children enjoying seeing their friends, getting to know their new class and learning new things in a new area.

Last week Murphy came to visit the school. Murphy is our school dog who we hope will be in school more and more throughout the school year. The children enjoyed learning about what he likes and what Mrs Mackie needs to do to look after him. Of course most children also enjoyed giving his thick curly coat a good stroke and he even did some tricks for us too!

In topic, the children have created pet carriers using different materials. We are really impressed with the children's counting up to 100. We have practised starting from different numbers and counting forwards and backwards too. Number bonds are a vital part of KS1 maths and we have been exploring pairs of numbers to make 10, 20 and 100.

KS1 key information

- All children must have a name water bottle in school (and when the weather is hot these will be refilled throughout the school day)
- If your child is signed up for an after school football or tennis club, they may bring in a pair of trainers to change into at the end of the school day.
- Please ensure you have read the letter about P.E as we will be starting P.E next week commencing 21st September.
- Every child has a reading & communication journal with a reading contract stuck on the inside page. Please ensure that you and your child sign the reading contract to make your promise that you will

hear your child read whilst at home to help them practise their reading skills.

- This year Mrs Mackie has introduced a new behavior system named the “Ladder of Success”. Every child starts the day on “Ready to Learn”. Children who do super learning get to move up the ladder if they are being a “Kents Hill Role Model”. Those who always try their best and put in additional effort will get to go one step further on “Above & Beyond”. These AB points will get collected and children will gain certificates when they reach 20, 40 & 60 AB points.



- Class pets will be sent home on Fridays with one special individual who has shown that they work “Above & Beyond” the other children. Please fill in their diary and return them both on the Monday after the weekend so that it can have sufficient time in school to be quarantined. The diary will then be shared on a Friday before the class pet is then sent home with another superstar for the following weekend.

Stay safe, wash your hands and keep smiling

Miss O'Dell and the KS1 Team