

YEAR ONE SPRING TERM

## Happy New Year

Well this is not the start to the new year we thought we'd be having but we are so proud of how all the children have taken the change in their stride.

For those at home, we are missing you so much but seeing your faces on Tapestry makes us smile and feel connected. You are all doing such amazing home learning and we couldn't feel any prouder of you.

For those in school, we are so proud of how sensible you have been with all the changes that we have had to make.

Parents, we cannot thank you enough for how supportive you have been during these challenging times. From trusting us with your little ones to putting up with technical difficulties! Thank you for bearing with us as we learn how to navigate our way through this new and alien style of teaching. We are aware that for many of you, balancing working and home schooling can often be a challenge. We want to reassure you that you are all doing an incredible job and please remember we are here to support you.

Please do not hesitate to contact us!

Many thanks, The Year One Team

## Up, Up and Away



During the first half of the Spring term, our focus text will be 'Miranda The Explorer' by James Mayhew. Through the text we will be learning about hot air balloons, mapwork, directions, continents as well as diffierent countries and cultures.

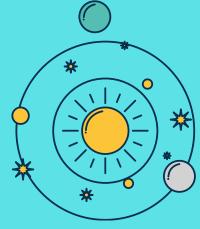




Once we have completed 'Miranda The Explorer' we shall be moving on to learning about the history of planes with a focus on Amelia Earhart. Our focus text for this section of the topic will be 'I Am Amelia Earhart' by Brad Meltzer We will be looking at the history of flight and how planes have been developed over time.



Finally, to end the term we will be using 'Way Back Home' by Oliver Jeffers to propell us into space.



You might want to join in with our learning at home by...



'The Great Balloon Hullaballoo' by Peter Bently

The Great Hot Air Balloon Adventure' by Stephen Holmes

- 'Emma Jane's Areoplane' by Katie Haworth
- 'Little People Big Ideas: Amelia Earhart' by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara
- 'How To Catch A Star' by Oliver Jeffers
- 'The Darkest Dark' By Chris Hadfield



Watch some videos about Earth and Space on BBC Bitesize:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkvv4wx

 Taking Flight- a short film https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gj6V-xZgtlQ



- Stay up late and look at the stars. You can
  download the Night Sky app which tells you the
  names of the different constellations you can see.
- Have a go at making different flight inventions.
   Maybe you could use junk modelling, Lego or even bake a flight themed cake!