# Things to Remember:

- ✓ P.E. kit for Mondays and Wednesdays
- ✓ Reading book and home-school link book to be in school every day.
- ✓ School starts at 8:50am with gates open at 8:40am
- ✓ Book Look is on Thursdays 8:40am-9:00am

## Our school website address is:

http://www.denton.e-sussex.sch.uk/ and our class page is there for you to find out information about the class, upcoming events and links to useful websites: http://denton.eschools.co.uk/website/dolphins\_year\_1/ or scan the QR code:



# Dates for your diary:

Open Afternoon: Friday 29th September 2pm - 3pm
Parents' Evening: Tuesday 10th October 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Thursday 12th October 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Tuesday 17th October 4pm - 6pm

Half Term: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

Term 2 starts for pupils:

Dolphin Class Assembly:

Christmas Fair:

End of Term 2 for pupils:

Tuesday 31st October

Thursday 30th November

Friday 8th December

Wednesday 20th December

# Dolphin Class Code of Conduct

We agree to:

- Talk nicely and listen to each other
- Keep our hands, feet and other objects to ourselves
- Help other people
- Tidy up what you get out

### Take One Poet

Throughout the school we are currently linking our learning to Michael Rosen.

Key Stage 1 are focusing on We're Going on a Bear Hunt.



If you have concerns or questions please let me know.

I will be in the playground before school where you can make an appointment to see me at a mutually convenient time.

Thank you,

Mr Turner





# Dolphin Class

Curriculum Information
Term 1 & Term 2

Learning Journey:







### Numeracy

In Year One we have carefully planned our Numeracy to link to our Literacy lessons and our learning journey, We're Going on a Bear Hunt.

Over the course of Term One we will look at counting in twos, pairs, simple addition and subtraction, directional and then positional language.

In Term Two we continue looking at these same areas but in greater depth, becoming masters of each mathematical skill.

Every day we do counting activities to help speed up their mental calculations and pattern recognition. A counting stick is used during these activities. In school we strongly promote the use of apparatus and have a whole range of tools to support your child. These include number lines and Numicon.

### Literacy

Our key text this term will be We're Going on a Bear Hunt. The children will be exposed to different versions of the story and there will be opportunities for drama as well as written work. Towards the end of the term, we shall be sharing our 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' with you during an open afternoon.

During Term Two our quality texts will link to our topic of 'Ourselves'. We encourage all children to read to someone at home every day for about 5-10 minutes. Reading does not have to be just with a school book. It could also simply involve reading street signs on the way home. Every day the class have a 30-minute phonics lesson learning sounds and spelling patterns.

### P.E.

Our PE days are Monday and Wednesday. Children need to bring their shorts, a t-shirt, trainers <u>and</u> plimsolls on these days as we may be inside or outside.

Children need to remove earrings on these days as they cannot do PE with them in.

# Long hair needs to be tied back every day please.

We are currently looking at gymnastics and this links to our story using the language over, under and through.

### Spellings

Each Friday a sheet with your child's spelling sound or pattern will be handed to them. These spellings are to be practised and learnt for a test the following Friday.

### P.H.S.E.

This term in P.S.H.E. we focus on developing children's knowledge, understanding and skills in four aspects of social and emotional learning: empathy, self-awareness, social skills and motivation.

#### Music

During Term One our Music lessons will be linked to our Computing work. They will be selecting appropriate musical instruments for the various sound effects. Children will also look at what is a melody.

### Science

Throughout Term One Dolphin Class will learn about various habitats. Firstly, what is a habitat and then see if they can identify any as well as what animal may use that habitat. We are clearly linking this to our story as the bear is found in his cave. Later in the term we will look at activities and the various changes during the summer season.

Moving into Term 2 our focus will be on Autumn and animals, including humans.



## Geography

In Term One, Dolphin Class will learn about map making skills and find out the importance of a key. Activities will include designing a map based on fieldwork observations when we go on a Key Stage One trip. Details to follow. In Term Two we move on to looking at the United Kingdom and the countries that make up the UK.

# Art & Design Technology

Art in Term One looks at textures and portraits.

Part of the topic involves creating artwork for the corridor leading to the hall. The overall piece will be an interpretation of the 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' book cover. Dolphin Class have the task of creating long wavy grass and a deep cold river!

# Computing

Our Computing work in Term
One will involve children using
sound recording equipment to
record sounds and develop
skills in saving and storing
sounds to produce an
audiobook. In Term Two
Dolphins will be designing their
own E-Cards ready for the
festive season.

### R.E.

In R.E. the class will be learning about the importance of light in religion and what advent means to Christians. Children will hear Christmas stories and take part in some carol singing in early December.