# Year One Weekly Newsletter

23 September 2016

**Weekly parent Pop-in**

Remember that you are invited to join us in class with your children each Monday at 3:00pm from next Monday (26th September). We will be showing some of the resources that we will be using throughout the following week and giving some ideas about what things children can be doing at home to support their learning.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning and Harvest Festival**

Our Harvest celebration and coffee morning is on Friday 30th September. Year 1 parents are invited to see their children singing at 9.15.

We are in the process of creating a mud kitchen in our outside environment. If anyone has any old unwanted pots and pans that they would like to donate we would be very grateful.

As a Healthy School we aim to educate children to make wise choices about what they eat and drink. We encourage all children to have a piece of fruit and a drink of water or milk at break-time. If you want your child to have milk please pick up an application form at the office.

Children have access to drinking water at any time during the day and at lunchtime; they don't need to bring drinks bottles to school.

## Writing Challenge

The children will all have come home tonight with new spellings for the weekend. It is important that children can spell these words in a range of contexts and write them with the correct letter formation. Please encourage children to practise spelling and writing these words with correct letter formation. Are children able to write a sentence using these words? As an extra challenge, ask children to write a question using a question mark to include these words.

## Maths Challenge

In Maths next week we will be focusing on the numbers between 11 and 20. Encourage your child to choose one of these numbers and to tell us what they know about this number. Can they count out the correct number of pasta shapes or lego bricks to match the number? Which digits are in the number? Is it more or less than 15? How many different ways can you think of adding different numbers to get this total? Can this number of objects be shared equally? Can you count backwards from this number? Do you reach this number when counting in 2's?