

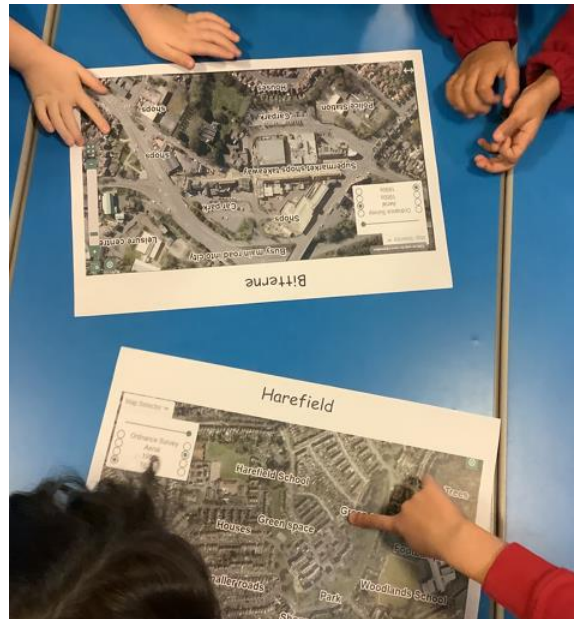
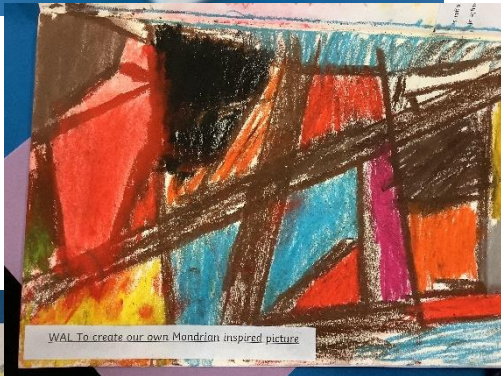
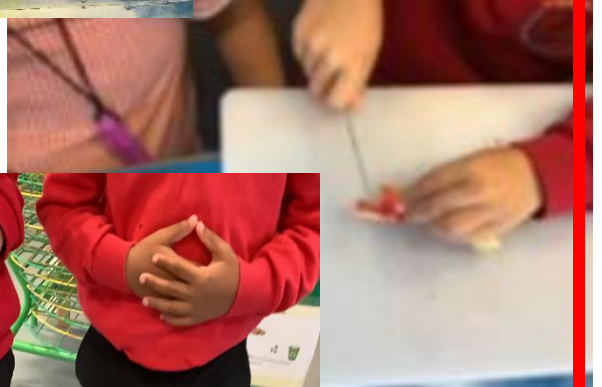
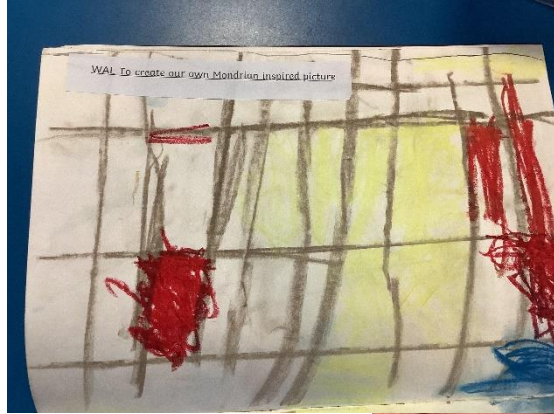
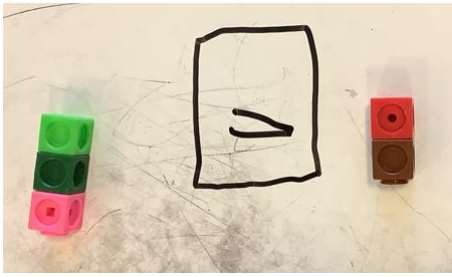
Year 1 Newsletters – Autumn Term

What a fantastic start to Year 1 it has been. We have been super busy and have learnt so much already. The children have really impressed us with how they have settled into their new year group and in particular their new daily routine! The transition from Year R to Year 1 isn't always easy but the children have done a great job of settling in. We are very proud!

What we have been learning this term:

This half term has been packed with lots of new learning!

- **Phonics**- We have been recapping and learning new sounds. We then read new words with our new sounds and read them within sentences.
- **Reading Practice**- We read 3 times a week in class and in groups. Each lesson we look at how to read new words, how to read with expression and how to answer questions about what we have read.
- **Maths** – we have been learning to recognise numbers in more than one way, we have been counting to 20 and using our knowledge of numbers to begin to + and – using ten frames and part-whole models. We also looked at 3d and 2d shapes.
- **Science**- We have been learning about animals, including humans. We have learnt about different animal groups and their features.
- **Geography** – we have been learning about the local area and where we live, the types of houses people live in and have talked about how we can travel.
- **Computing** – we have been learning to use the computer programme Paint. We have used the tools to paint pictures of ourselves and pictures inspired by Mondrian.
- **History** – We have been learning about changes to our school. We talked about why things have changed.
- **PSHE**- We have been learning about safety. We learnt about signs that keep us safe and how to stay safe at home and online.
- **Art**- We have been inspired by the abstract artwork of Mondrian and have made our own Mondrian pictures.
- **DT**- We have been learning about how to make a fruit salad. We used the knives to safely cut and chop fruit which we then enjoyed together.
- **Music** – We have been learning to describe music. Our focus has been about pitch and dynamics.
- **PE**-In these sessions we began by working on a Clever Bodies programme and then we started a dance unit about the jungle!



Next half term, we will be learning...

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Learning</u>
Phonics:	We will be looking at phase 4 and 5 sounds. Please visit https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/ for more information.
Writing	We will be reading the texts Beegu and The Odd Egg. We will be doing lots of role play, planning and writing our own stories.
Maths	We will be working at comparing two digit numbers, ordering them and estimating their place on a number line.
Science	We will be learning about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. We will also be looking at the properties of everyday materials.
PSHE	Our focus will be on relationships this means looking at the different relationships between family and friends.
RE	Our concept will be change and the theme will be people Jesus met.
History/Geography	In Geography we will be looking at capital cities. In History we will be focusing on Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria.
DT/Art	In DT we will be looking at sliders and levers and creating our own moving pictures. In Art we will be studying the artist Jean Metzinger and focusing on drawing and painting skills, especially the use of colour.
Computing	We will be learning about technology around us!
Music	We will be continuing to look at pitch, dynamics and tempo.

Key Dates

- Tuesday 30th January – Southampton City Mission will be leading our Question of Faith day where we will be looking at people Jesus met.
- Friday 8th March- The Explorer Dome will be in school for us to visit and learn about light.