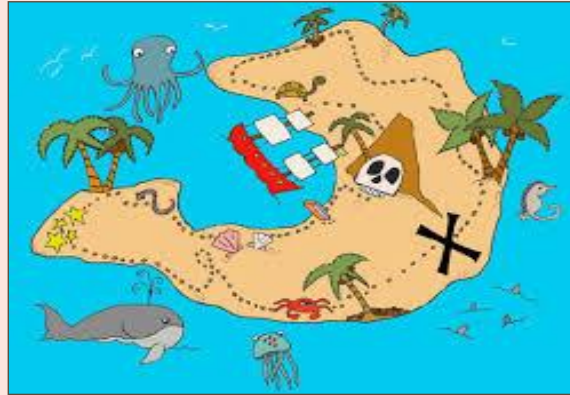


## Year 1 Pirates - Reading

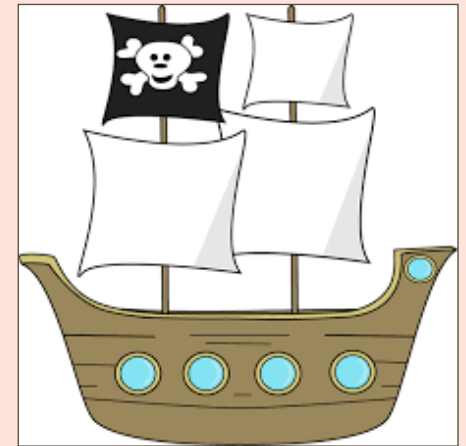
Throughout each week this term all the children will have lots of opportunities to work on and continue to develop their reading skills.

Every day we will have a Reading Skills session and on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays we will also have Read Write Inc sessions where the children will continue to develop their reading and writing skills.

All children will also have regular opportunities to read for pleasure throughout the week.



## YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER Me Hearties



Class Teacher

Captain Halden

Spellings will continue to be given out weekly to your child and they will be tested on them every Monday morning during their Read Write Inc session.

Homework will also still be given out every Friday for your child to complete and return the following week.

Please continue reading with your child at least 4 times a week. Every time your child reads 5 times they will earn themselves a prize.

Name .....

Subject	Working towards	Working at	Exceeding
Reading			
Writing			
Maths			



Dear Pirates, Parents and Carers,

We hope that you all had a restful and fun filled Christmas break. We welcome you and your little pirate back to Whaplode C of E Primary School.

This half term our topic will be Pirates and you can find more information about our curriculum in this newsletter. We were excited to see the children's homework projects and will look forward to displaying them in the school hall for everyone else to see and enjoy. Thank you for supporting your child with this project.

Our class routines for reading, spellings and homework are outlined in this newsletter, but if you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask. We hope that your pirate is ready to work as hard as they did last term so that they can keep progressing and achieving to the best of their ability.

Shiver me timbers!

Captain Halden

Date for your diary - Pirate Graduation Ceremony Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017

## OUR CURRICULUM THIS TERM

### Pirates

In English, the children will continue to participate in Read Write Inc phonics sessions three times a week, as they did last term. We will also continue to have daily Reading Skills sessions which will take place during the afternoons. In our cross-curricular work, we will be looking at the features of a story and we will be writing our own.

In Maths, we will continue working on accurate counting and ordering of numbers up to 30 and beyond. We will also continue our work on counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. The introduction and work on multiplication and division using arrays will begin this term. The children will also continue learning to tell the time - o'clock and half past, days of the week and months of the year and will recognise and find halves and quarters of shapes and quantities.

In Science, we will be investigating materials, naming them and identifying their properties. We will have an investigation afternoon where we will work scientifically using magnets (to find gold), floating and sinking (what material is the best to make a pirate boat) and water resistance (what material is best to keep our treasure dry).

In Geography we will be finding out about and naming the continents and sailing across the different oceans of the world. We will be taking a close look at the countries and their capitals of the UK as we sail to each one and write about what we find there once on land and exploring.

PE lessons will continue to be on a Monday afternoon and Friday morning. Please ensure all earrings are removed prior to this and all clothing is labelled with your child's name.

RE this term we will continue looking at different religious celebrations but also learn more about the Christian church.