

Reading and Spellings

Please continue to read with your child for at least 15 minutes each day.

The more that you read, the more things you will know.

The more that you learn, the more places you'll go. Dr Seuss.

Spellings will be sent home every Friday. Please practise these at home ready for the spelling quiz that takes place in class on Fridays.

On the back of the spelling sheet, there will be a phonics information sheet which tells you about the phonics we have been learning that week. Please take time to look through this with your child.

Topic

Our topic this term is called '**City and Countryside**'. We will look at features of cities and the countryside and identify similarities and differences.

We would like you to complete three Topic or Science activities (or use your own ideas) by Friday 24th March 2023. Please take a photo of your project to bring or email it into school (office@thebellbird.cambs.sch.uk FAO: Year 1 teachers). We will have time to show these every week, usually on a Friday. **Have fun!**

- Draw a picture of somewhere you have visited. Was it a city, town, village or in the countryside? How do you know this?
- Make your own city. You can do this on a computer, by hand, with Lego or whatever you would like – use your imagination. What will you have in your city?
- Find a picture of the city, town, countryside or a village. Can you label the features?
- What are buildings made of in different locations? Think about our work on materials in science.
- Using magazines or bits of paper, can you make a collage of a city or countryside scene or seasonal scene?
- Make a presentation about cities and the countryside. What is the same? What is different?
- Draw a map of a city or a village (you could choose Sawston). Can you draw the features?
Challenge: use map symbols.

Science

In Science this term we are learning about materials and their properties, as well as continuing to think about seasonal change.

- Make a rain cloud in a jar.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cF2f024KMu4>

- Make a simple rain gauge to measure rainfall.

<https://www.communityplaythings.com/resources/articles/2017/making-a-rain-gauge>

- Have a look at the toys you have at home. What are they made of? Could you draw a picture and label the different materials?
- There are lots of lovely experiments and activities to try on the Science Sparks website:

<https://www.science-sparks.com/ideas-learning-materials-properties/>