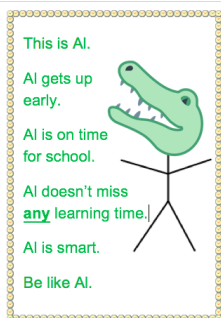
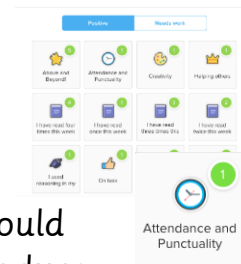


Keystage 1 Newsletter Autumn Term

Welcome to Key Stage 1, we are really looking forward to working with you all this year!

Attendance:

Following our most recent Ofsted report, this is a crucial element of our school improvement plan and we need your continued support with this! Please ensure your child is in school for 8:50 am. As a reward for punctuality we are awarding a special class dojo. We would



also like to take this opportunity to introduce Al our attendance Alligator. He will be making special appearances in assemblies to encourage excellent attendance and punctuality. Termly, children will be rewarded for outstanding attendance.

Early Bird Mornings:

We are really looking forward to seeing you even earlier for our English early bird mornings. On a Monday, your children are welcome to join us at 8:40am for an extra opportunity to write. On Wednesday and Friday at 8:40, we would like to invite not just the children, but also yourselves, to come and read with us. Reading is so important and this is a great opportunity to get out of the cold autumn mornings and share a book with your children.



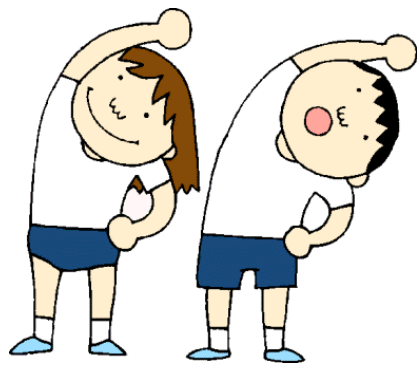
Homework:

Our main focus for homework this term is reading, spelling and times tables and number work. Every child has a colour banded reading book. This is individually focussed around their reading skills. We would still like to encourage that you read with your child as regularly as possible. Keep

a look out for our new Read Write Inc spelling work as these will be the children's new weekly spelling homework. We are awaiting the launch of our Mathematics accounts for the children - we will be in touch soon about this! In the meantime, keep practising those times tables and number bonds!

PE kits:

Your children will need to keep their PE kit in school at all times. We have a set PE slot on a Thursday afternoon but we also have an extra hall slot which is available for us to use. If your child does not come to school



with a PE kit, you will be contacted and asked to provide one that day. Please ensure that the wearing of jewellery, particularly earrings, is avoided on PE days. We are really lucky at Hillocks to have, Mark Dobb, who is a specialist in PE taking the sessions. It would be a shame for your child to miss out on this opportunity! Children in Year 2 RG need to have a

swimming kit in school by Tuesday 11th September as they will be having their weekly swimming session for Autumn Term every Tuesday afternoon. Any problems please see Mrs Gear about this.

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 11th September KS1 open evening

Thursday 13th September Read, Write Inc information evening

Thursday 25th October Harvest Festival

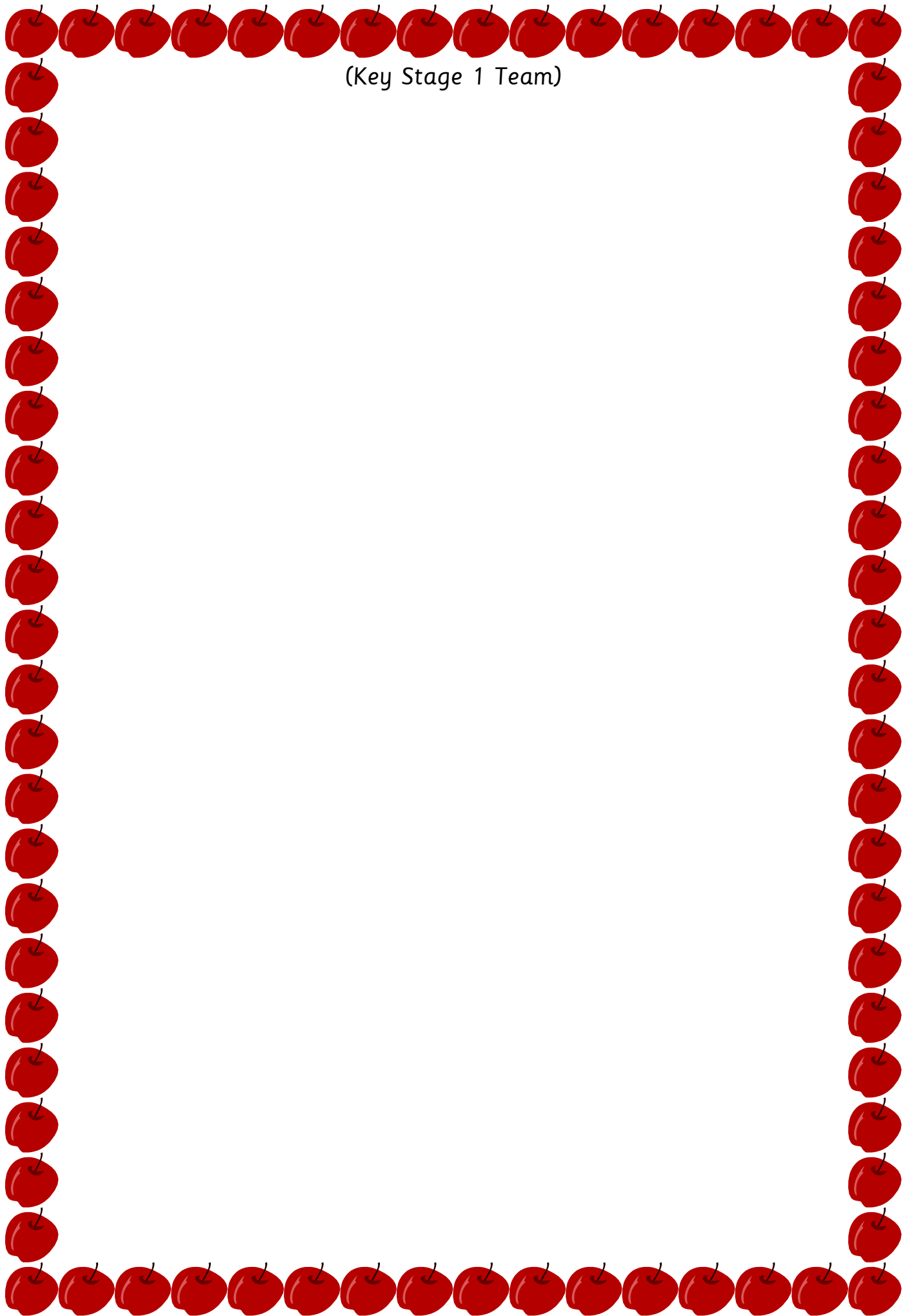
Friday 14th September Memory Munch Picnic

Monday 17th December KS1 Christmas Performance

Please remember that our doors are always open, with no problem ever too big or small! As you know, Hillock's philosophy is that there isn't a problem which cannot be sorted as long as we work together.

Thank you for your continued support!

Mrs Gear, Mrs Scott, Mrs Morley



(Key Stage 1 Team)