

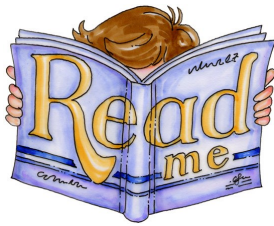


Year 1 - Parents Information for Autumn 1

A huge welcome on behalf of all of your teaching team in Year 1. I hope you all had a lovely summer holiday. I am delighted to be teaching your child again this year and we are going to have a fantastic time learning new skills together!

Reading in Year 1

All children will read to an adult on a one-to-one basis every week and they will also participate in a weekly shared reading session. Your child will bring home a reading book and we would really appreciate your support in completing the reading diaries. This is to make sure that we can see when a book has been completed and can change reading books accordingly.



Your child will bring home a reading book by the end of their first week of school.

Learning Autumn 1

In **English** the class will be starting our author study journey with Julia Donaldson books with the story 'Superworm'. The children will be structuring sentences and using the books as inspiration to write a postcard.

In **Maths** the class will be learning about place value within 10, learning skills of sorting, representing, counting. This will include ordering numbers, finding one more and one less, comparing numbers and ordinal numbers. Then the children will begin learning addition and subtraction within 10.

Our topic for this term is all about animals. In **Science** the class will be learning about animals including humans. They will learn about the animal groups and how to identify different animals, animal diets, the human body and the five senses.

In **Art** the class will be learning about drawing, taking inspiration from the artist Albrecht Durer, they will develop skills of sketching and using techniques such as shading and cross hatching.

In **Computing** the class will be learning about technology around us and e-safety. They will be recognising examples of technology and learning to understand how they can help us, also how to use technology safely including a computer.

In **Music** the class will be learning to 'feel the beat'. They will be learning to create, select and combine sounds and play tuned and untuned instruments.

In **RE** the class will be learning how do we care for others and the world. They will be learning about how we show care for others and how Christians and Jews show care for others and the world.

PE will be on Tuesday afternoons for the first part of the year. The class will be learning ball skills this half term. They will develop skills of throwing and catching. Children will be asked to come to school in their PE kits on this day.



Homework

We have created an optional Year 1 home challenge booklet which relates directly to our topic. This booklet is designed to be completed over time (one challenge each week), this will be posted on the Year 1 Class Dojo page.

Weekly spellings will be sent out on a Monday to be completed and handed in the following Monday.

Please read with your child everyday at home - this will benefit your child enormously.

Water Bottles

Please can children bring their own water bottle in to school every day. This really saves precious learning time as children can access these from the classroom when they are thirsty.

PE

Our PE lesson for the start of the year will be on Tuesday.

Please ensure children come to school in their PE kits on this day, They can wear their school sweatshirt/cardigan/ sweater over the top with dark coloured plain tracksuit bottoms (no logos/stripes/no leggings). The school PE kit is a part of uniform and must be worn.

The children will need to wear :

- Blue shorts
- Pale blue polo shirt
- Pumps or trainers

No jewellery or watches to be worn at all.

Outdoor Learning

We will continue to access the outdoor area and forest at certain points of the term. Can we please request that the children have a pair of wellies which are labelled clearly in a carrier bag which can be left at school on their peg (if possible) so that we can use our outdoor space in all weather conditions.

We understand that the transition from Reception to Year 1 is a huge step for your child. Therefore we encourage you to work closely with us throughout the year to ensure your child gets the best possible experience from Year 1. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to arrange to speak to one of us.

Ms Wynne, Mrs Bradbury and Mrs Brocklehurst .

