Welcome to Year One!



Year 1 Class Newsletter. Autumn Term 1 2021

What a great start to the year! All the children have returned from the long break refreshed and raring to go. They have settled into the new routines of Year 1 extremely quickly and have impressed us with their fantastic listening skills and behaviour.



Meet the Year One Team

We are lucky to have a number of adults working in different roles within the two Y1 classrooms this year:

In Classroom 1 -

Mrs J Wilkinson – Class Teacher
Mrs D Smith – Learning Support Assistant
Mr P Ward – HLTA

In Classroom 2 -

Mrs L McRae – Class Teacher Miss C Machers – Learning Support Assistant

Ms Z Newell – additional teacher.

All the members of the team work closely together to ensure your child receives a rich and varied curriculum, pastoral care and additional learning support for specific children.

There will be times when we work in each other's classrooms and we are lucky to share an outdoor learning area too!

Topics

We will be exploring Traditional Tales in **English**, starting with The Little Red Hen and Little Red Riding Hood and, focusing on how story are written, instructions and we will be using story mapping to create our own stories. In **Art**, we will be looking at the work of Andy Goldsworthy and using natural materials to create collage.

In **Geography** lessons, Y1 will be carrying out some work on the local are. In **Science**, we will be thinking about ourselves and collecting data to use in maths, such as eye and hair colour.

Our first trip is already planned and you should receive information soon!

How to help at home.

- Daily reading and sharing stories with your child – ask questions about what they are reading, play word games and spot rhyming words.
- Play games involving numbers dice and domino games are great for this!
- Encourage your child to complete their homework tasks regularly.
- Encourage independent skills such as dressing and simple 'helping' jobs at home.

If you would like any further support or suggestions on how to help at home, please contact us via the office.

Polite reminders

PE days are Monday and Wednesday for **ALL** Year 1 children.

Please bring kit to school on a Monday and we will return it on Wednesday.

Please ensure your child has a NAMED water bottle to use should they require a drink.

Please name ALL items of clothing and belongings to help us return them if they go missing!

No ear rings/ jewellery or nail varnish to be worn at school please.

Children must be collected at 3.15 by a named adult. Please ensure these details are updated via the school office.

<u>Homework</u> - Year 1 will be expected to complete weekly homework. We will be setting weekly homework on Tapestry. Homework will be set on Thursday and checked the following Wednesday. In accordance with whole school policy there will be a consequence if homework is not completed.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for your support with the new arrangements. If you need to speak to us please contact the school office to request a meeting or phone call as we are not always able to talk to you at drop off or collection. We will continue to use Tapestry to communicate and share photographs for the Autumn Term. Many thanks.

Mrs J Wilkinson and Mrs L McRae