

WELCOME TO YEAR 1!

Welcome

We hope that you had a wonderful summer break and are excited for a fabulous year in Year 1! This is an exciting year for the children as they progress from the Foundation Stage into Key Stage One.

The Big Question

This half term, our big question is What is 'Once upon a time'? The children will learn about how things have changed over the years and the effect which these changes have had. We would love to invite parents and grandparents into school to talk about their experiences of school, music, toys, cars and life whilst growing up. Please let us know if you would like to be involved with this.

Home Time

Please keep us informed if you have arranged for an alternate person or an after-school club to collect your child. Ensuring the safety of the children is paramount, and we will only permit their departure when we have received prior notification from parents. You can communicate this by either emailing or calling the school office or by informing us at the beginning of the school day.

PE

PE will take place on Tuesday, when we will be doing multi skills, and Friday, when we will be doing gymnastics. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on these days and that long hair is put into a bobble.

Reading

Later this year, the children will be completing the Year 1 Phonics screening check. Reading regularly at home (at least three times a week) will support your child's progress towards this. The children will read with an adult once a week at school. Following this, they will receive new books to read at home. These books are linked to our school's phonics scheme. The aim is that children read these books with increasing fluency and at least 90% accuracy.

Library

The children will visit the school library once a week to select a book to take home to read for pleasure. Please ensure that your child has this book with them each Friday so that they can change it.

Belongings

Please ensure that all belongings (jumpers, cardigans, lunchboxes, water bottles, snack pots etc.) are labelled with your child's name to prevent loss.

CURRICULUM

English

During this half term, we will be using the following books as a focus in our English lessons:

- Goldilocks and the three bears,
- Good little wolf,
- Lost in the toy museum.

We will be writing the following genres:

- List,
- Poster,
- Retell,
- Fact file,
- Recount,
- Riddle.

Religious Education

In Religious Education, we will be learning about Christianity and Judaism. We will find out about celebrations and festivals.

Design and Technology

In Design and Technology, we will be making levers and sliders.

Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing on Place Value and Addition and Subtraction.

Computing

In Science, we will be creating animated story books and learning about Online safety.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about the Human Body.

RSHE

In Relationships, Sex and Health Education our key questions will be:

- Who is in my family?
- Who are my important people?
- What makes a person?

Music

In Music, we will be learning about finding the beat when listening to a piece of Music.

Thank you in advance for your support in your child's learning journey, if you have any questions or need any assistance, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Miss Orchard (Class Teacher Tuesday - Friday)

Mrs O'Dea (Class Teacher Monday)

