

Dear Parents and Carers

A very warm welcome back to a brand-new school year in year 1! I hope you have all had a restful summer break and that the children are excited to begin year 1. I myself am really excited to be in year 1 and I can not wait to begin this journey with everyone.

Our Topics this term.

In year 1 the children now pick up some new topics/lessons they have not done before. In science they will be learning all about Autumn and how it changes the world. In History they will be focusing on Amy Johnson (If anyone has anything to do with this and want to bring it in I promise we will look after it). We are also going to be taking part in so many more exciting lessons this year which I am sure the children will love!

Reading Books: Reading is at the heart of everything we do and is so important to our learning journey, and we are keen to establish positive reading habits early on. Reading books will be collected in and changed **every Monday**.

The children will take home

- One phonic book they are currently reading in class (they may have read this before, but repetition is key to confidence and fluency).
- One book purely for enjoyment – this may not always be fully decodable and might need to be shared with an adult.

Our school expectation is for children to read **at least three times per week (or more if possible)**. We would really appreciate it if parents could take the time to complete their child's reading record each time they read, as reading totals are collected every Friday and shared in assembly. Of course, we would love Class 1 to be the proud winners each week—so every recorded read really does count!

PE Days: As we did last year please can the children come to school in their PE kit on the days they have P.E. Class 1 will need to come in their P.E kit on Mondays and Thursdays. PE kit should be a white t-shirt, dark coloured shorts/tracksuit bottoms or leggings, a school jumper or cardigan and trainers. As we will be outside please also send your child with a clean pair of indoor shoes to change into after.

Spellings: Your child will get new spellings every week. This will be found in their reading logs; the children will then have a mini test on Friday using these spellings. This will be updated every Friday for the children to get some extra practise in over the weekend.

Our Learning This Term

Across all subject areas, we are excited to get stuck into lots of new learning. This will be a little bit different for the children but I am going to make it an enjoyable and as fun as possible! I know some children are nervous and we might have a few worries at the start but year 1 is going to be amazing and I cant wait to start.

I hope this information will be helpful to you!

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me on the email below.

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Yours Sincerely
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