



Dear Parents/Carers,











We can't believe we have almost completed our second term in Year 1. The children have settled in well and we can't believe the amount of progress they have made already. Let's make this next half term an amazing term for learning. This letter will tell you the information that your child will be learning about in class. Further information about their learning can be found on our school website.

Getting Ready to Come to School

Children will need to come to school every day:

- Wearing their school uniform
- With their bookbag and water bottle
- Ready to learn!

Our Learning:

English 	In English, our first unit is based around the story of 'Mixed Up Fairy Tales' (by Hilary Robinson & Nick Sharratt). Children will create their own mixed up fairy tale. Our next piece of writing will be based on the story 'Billy and The Beast' (by Nadia Shireen). The children will create their own character description using a selection of un- words. Our final piece of writing will be based on the book 'Here We Are'. The children will create a report about their own imaginary planet.
Maths 	In Maths, the children will be learning about place value within 50 and measurement (length and height and volume and mass).
Science 	In Science, our focus is chemistry we will be learning about everyday materials where we will be distinguishing different objects from their material and describing simple properties.
History 	In History, we will be learning about the 'History of Transport'. The children will look at the development of transport by land, sea, air and space and the roles of key individuals.
Design Technology 	In DT, we will be learning about 'Moving Pictures'. The children will be using simple linkages (levers) to make a moving picture for someone at home.
Religion and Worldviews 	In R.E. we will be learning about Humanism. We will be exploring what questions the story of creation make us ask?
PE 	In P.E, the children will be focusing on gymnastics and hockey. In gymnastics they will be learning to copy sequences and repeat them. In hockey they will learn how to hit a ball with a bat.
Music 	In Music, we will be combining pulse, rhythm and pitch. We will be exploring the question; how does music help us to understand our neighbours?
Computing 	In Computing, we will focus on data and Information. We will discover how to group data.
PSHE 	In PSHE we will be looking at Healthy Lifestyles. We will learn about what foods we should eat, how to look after our teeth and why it is important to wash our hands.



PE

Below is the day your child will take part in PE.

On this day your child must wear their PE kits to school.

Poppy Class – Monday

Daisy Class – Monday

Buttercup Class– Monday

Homework

Each week your child will be expected to complete a range of different homework tasks to help support their learning in school. All homework will be found on our school website under the Year 1 page.

Reading	Please support your child at home in ensuring that they are reading each day independently and to you. They must also have opportunities to listen to an adult read to them. Once you have read with your child, please make a comment in their reading record.
Learning with Parents	This is a platform we use to record reading at home and in school. Please log all reading done at home on this website.
myON	Each week children are expected to log on to myON and read at home. The child who completes the most amount of reading each week will be awarded with a certificate.
Letter Join	Children have their Letter Join login stuck on the front cover of their reading record. Children should access letter formation videos that will support them with their handwriting. Handwriting sheets will also be sent home each week.
Phonics	Phonics videos will also be shared on Class Dojo weekly. Please practise phonics every day as we get the children ready for the phonics screening at the start of June. (More information about the phonics screening, can be found on our Year 1 webpage on our school website)

In class we would love to celebrate the amazing homework children do at home. This means that any time your child completes a piece of homework, send a photo to your class teacher on Class Dojo so it can be celebrated and rewarded. Children will receive Class Dojo points for completing their homework.

Attached to this letter you will find your child's Knowledge Organisers. You can use the information on their Knowledge Organisers to test your child's recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher on Class Dojo, who will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 1 team