



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to our last half term in Year 1. Let's make this 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. This half term we will be having a huge focus on phonics to get children reading for the phonics screening at the start of June.

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 'Where The Wild Things Are'. Children will be looking at a new type on writing in the form of letters. We will be writing our own letters to Max from the story. For our second piece of writing, we will be looking into the text 'The Cook and the King' by Julia Donaldson and will be learning to create our own simple recipe by writing out the step-by-step instructions. Our final piece of writing will be based around the story 'Meeha Makes Friends', where the children will create their own memory books with 'top tips' for being a good friend and student in Year 1.
Maths 	In Maths, the children will be learning about place value to 100. We will also be learning about Money and how to recognise coins and notes. Our final Maths unit is Time and we will be learning to read the times 'o'clock' and 'half past' the hour.
Science 	In Science, our focus is biology We will be learning how to identify a range of different animal groups. We will look at the human body and how we use our five senses.
History 	In History our topic title is 'Where did people live in the past?'. We will be looking at how homes looked different in the past, using pictures and videos. We will explore the homes we live in today and compare them to the different types of homes from the past.
DT 	In DT, our topic title is 'Outdoor Space'. In this unit, we will be designing an outdoor space and creating a 3D model out of modelling clay. We will design a piece of playground equipment we would love to find in a playground.
Religion and Worldviews 	In Religion and Worldviews, we will be learning about the Christianity and Judaism. and exploring the question 'How do Christians show God is important to them?'
PE 	In P.E, the children will be focusing on athletics and bat and ball games. Children will spend some of this term preparing for sports day in June. They will be learning how to move and stop safely. They will look at how to hit a ball with a bat.



Music 	In Music, we will be exploring sounds and create different stories through stories. We will explore the question 'How does music teach us about looking after our planet?'
Computing 	In Computing we will be exploring how to create media using digital writing. We will also investigate the importance of E-Safety and how we explore the internet online.
PSHE 	In PSHE our topic will be Relationships and Sex Education. We will be looking at the people in our lives who love and care for us. We will explore the similarities and differences between people. We will also look at the similarities and differences between girls and boys.

PE

Year 1 children will have PE lessons on a Monday. Please come to school wearing your full PE kit.

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 Learning with Parents	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. This is a platform we use to record reading at home and in school. Please log all reading done at home on this website. The expectation is that three pieces of reading is logged each week.
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.

On our school website 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.



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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,
The Year 1 team