



to Year 1

Welcome to your new class, hope you all had an amazing summer holiday.

Welcome to KS1! We hope you had a lovely summer: we are very excited about the year ahead. Here is an outline of what your child will be learning about in their first half term in Year 1. If you have any questions at all, don't hesitate to ask.

In English we will revisit the sounds learnt in FS2, we will then progress on to learning new sounds and focus on words with these sounds in. In reading, we will focus on accuracy, fluency and comprehension. In writing, the children will write every day, orally rehearsing what they want to write and developing their independence. We will focus on becoming secure with finger spaces, capital letters and full stops.

In maths we want all of the children to feel confident and to deepen their understanding of number. This half term, our main focus will initially be on place value up to 10: counting forwards and backwards, reading and writing the numbers 0 – 10 accurately in digits and words. The children will practise identifying one more and one less than a number, identifying odd and even numbers. We will then move onto addition and subtraction within 10. During all maths sessions the children will be encouraged to use concrete resources to help them complete mathematical questions. A big focus, especially at the beginning of the year, is to make maths real and relevant for the children so they have a good understanding of abstract mathematical concepts.

We will also be learning about our body and our senses, look at where we live and start to look at seasonal change.

Reading Books

Now your child is in Year 1 we encourage them to read daily, please can you read with your child every night and make a note of how well they have read to you. This helps us to make sure we change books appropriately. If you think a book is too difficult or too easy then please let us know!





We are having PE on a Tuesday this half term and Yoga on a Friday with Yoga Mike. After the half term we will be having PE on the Tuesday, and Wednesday with our PE specialist. If you could please send your child in PE clothing which they can move in easily. Shoes are removed for Yoga, so if you are purchasing any new trainers etc can I please ask that you choose Velcro fasteners. Our policy for earrings is that the children may wear studs only.

PLEASE can you ensure your children's clothing that is going to be removed e.g. PE hoodies / tops and cardigans /jumpers is named. A jumper has already gone missing!

Activities and Visits

Your £24 yearly contribution helps to pay for exciting experiences. This can be paid in instalments of £8 per term. We hope to have many visits throughout the year, but rely on your contribution for this. The more people who contribute, the more trips children will enjoy!

This term we are visiting Stewarts Park on the 14th October at the cost of £125.

We are lucky to have Yoga on a Friday this half term (the children have really enjoyed it so far) at a cost of £190. Next half term on a Wednesday we will be enjoying gymnastics with our PE specialist Andrea at a cost of £280.



Important dates:

Parental Questionnaires : Week beginning 4th October

Parental consultations : Week beginning 11th October

Half term: Monday 25th – Friday 29th October

Thank you for your help and support, please do not hesitate to talk to us if you have any concerns.

Mrs Roberts and Mrs Robinson