

## Welcome to Year 1

**The Team:** Miss Hopkins and Mrs Stevens (Class Teachers). Miss Tetley (Teaching Assistant).

Welcome to Year 1, we are looking forward to the start of a new school year and sharing all the brilliant learning experiences we have in store for your child! Keeping you as parents/carers involved in your child's learning is very important to us, so we would like to share some important information with you in advance of September:

### Reading

- 1 individual reading book - children will be given an opportunity to change their reading book on set days during the week
- 1 library book
- 1 Guided Reading book – Guided Reading is done in groups with a focus on discussion around the text to develop comprehension. A slip will be stuck in Reading Records to explain what we have done in the session and the book will come home until the next session. Please ensure books are in bags every day.
- We encourage you to comment in your child's Reading Record each time you read at home

### Home Learning

- The purpose of Home Learning is to consolidate and extend prior learning, it is not new learning
- Children should be able to complete tasks independently, but can be supported when necessary
- Home Learning is set on a Wednesday and handed in by the following Monday
- Spellings are handed out at the start of each half term and spelling tests are done on a Wednesday

### Home School Communications

- Your child's Class Teacher should always be your first point of contact
- The Year 1 team are available on the main KS1 door every morning and at home time
- Reading Records and reading books to be sent home and brought back into school every day
- Feedback can be shared with PTA/Parent Council Reps and Parent Governors

### Collection Arrangements

- The children will come in and leave through the main KS1 door. When they can see the adult collecting them, they will be able to join you
- If the person collecting at the end of the day is different to normal, please notify the office/member of staff on the door that morning

### PE

- There will be two PE lessons each week, a mixture of indoor and outdoor sessions
- Please ensure full PE kits are in school every day
- PE kits will be sent out at the end of every half term

### Year 1 highlights...

- A selection of amazing bookshelf texts to explore our themes – belonging, courage, curiosity
- Opportunities for learning outside the classroom, including school trips
- Practical Science investigations and experiments
- Using real life context and manipulatives to solve problems
- Practical, hands on learning at every opportunity
- Forest school



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