

Welcome to Year 1

The Team: Class teachers: Mrs van Spelde/Mrs Austin and Miss Hopkins

Welcome to Year 1, we are looking forward to the start of a new school year and sharing all the great 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 to be recorded in the child's Reading Record
Children will be given an opportunity to change their reading independently book during the week, but please keep reminding your child to change their book when they have finished as well.
- 1 library book
- 1 Guided Reading book – Guided Reading will take place each week and a slip will be stuck into their Reading Records to show the focus of the session. There will be a follow up session with a TA based around discussion of the text, change of individual reading book if required and a comment in the Reading Record
- 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
- 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
- Any concerns regarding Home Learning should be shared with the Class Teacher

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 be taken to 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.

Year 1 highlights...

- Opportunities for learning outside the classroom
- Lindow Common
- Chester Zoo
- Forest school
- Planetarium
- Practical Science investigations
- Using real life context and manipulatives to solve problems
- Practical, hands on learning at every opportunity
- Image Theatre

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