

# Year 1 Newsletter - Autumn 1

Welcome to the first edition of the year 1 newsletter. We hope that this will provide both you and your child with some useful information about what will be happening this term.



Mrs Blick, Mrs Jahangir, Mrs Lyon will be teaching in Year 1.  
Other associate adults working in Year 1 are: Mrs. Waters, Mrs Zainab and Mrs Elisa, Mrs Champa

## What will my child be learning this term?

**ENGLISH** – The children will be exploring the books: A superpower like mine and This is me. The children will be learning to compose simple and extended independently using correct punctuation.

**MATHS** – Place value, recognition of number, number patterns, explaining and justifying problem, more and less, using these skills in different problems.

**READING** – As readers we will learn to segment and blend using known phonetic sounds unfamiliar words. To answer basic and inferential questions about the text they have read.

**ICT** – As computer programmers, we will learn how to give clear instructions and algorithms.

**PHSC** – Rules in the class and around school. Rules when using technology (safety) people who help us, feelings – learning how to treat others, conflict resolution.

**PHONICS** continue to follow the rocket phonics programme.

**GEOGRAPHY** – learn about their local environment, the street in which they live and their address. To learn, name and locate using a map of the town in which we live.

**ART** – Will observe and analyse artwork showing different emotions and predict what the artist was trying to show. They will then create their own portraits showing emotion through colour.

**HISTORY** The children will learn about things in the recent past. Exploring events in their grandparents' lifetime, and comparing what they could do as babies with what they can do now.

**Science** – We will observe the weather and seasonal changes that take place in our local environment. Keeping a weather chart. They will also learn the basic body parts, labelling the different parts of a human body.

## School day/ routines

The first bell rings at 8.45am and doors will be opened. There are staff in the playground at 8.40 am. Children should stand in their class lines and wait to be brought in by their teacher.

The children will be brought into the cloakrooms by the teaching staff. Please wait for your child's name to be called out. This enables the staff to ensure the children's safety.

**Start school day** – 8:50 am

**Break Time** – 10:15 - 10:30

**Lunch Time** – 11:30 - 12:30

**Afternoon Break** – 2.00 - 2.15

**End school day** – 3:15.

## Homework

**Reading** – Please read/talk about your child's reading book everyday, this only needs to be brief but would support their learning. Please ensure your child brings their book **DAILY** as we can not specify which day your child will read to an adult.

Please use their reading record to record how your child has read with you at home reading book at home.

**Homework Journals** – In your child's homework journal there will be a menu of activities at the front. Choose 1 activity to complete in your homework book. Homework books will be given out on a Friday and returned on Monday.

**Spellings** – These will be given out on Monday – spelling tests are the following Friday.

## Uniform....

Our uniform states black shoes should be worn – not trainers, sandals, Wellingtons or heels.

**Please can ALL pieces of uniform be clearly labelled.**

On **Thursday** afternoon both 1JG and 1TB will have PE in the hall. The children will need a white t-shirt, black joggers and trainers for PE and can wear their PE kit to come to school in. On a Wednesday afternoon they will be outdoor learning, and need to wear their PE kits and wear suitable footwear (i.e. wellies if it's raining.)

## Important Reminders

**Thursday** afternoons 1JG and 1TB to complete PE inside, PE kit to be worn to school.

**Good Work assembly** – Friday

### Water bottles

Please provide your child with a named water bottle for the classroom. The children will be able to have freely accessible drinking water.

### Hometime

At the end of the school day, please stand well away from the cloak room door, so that staff can see which parents have arrived and can let the children go quickly and safely.

## Rules, Rewards and Responsibilities

### Consistencies

**School rules** – We have five school rules. Please ask your child about these rules:

Attendance, Behaviour, Classroom Management, Duty of Care and Effort.

**Golden time** – Every Friday, children, who have followed our school rules, will be rewarded with 30 minutes of golden time.

**Class Treat** – When the class earns **10** leaves on the tree (1JG), or gems in the jar (1TB) they will earn a class treat which could be an afternoon at the park, a picnic or a DVD.

**Golden Book** – When your child does something that the teachers are incredibly proud of, they will visit Mrs. Carter. Their names will be entered into a special "golden book," they will receive a fantastic certificate and a "headteachers sticker."

## Diary dates...

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September National read a book day

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Positive thinking day

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September Jeans for Genes day – non uniform day

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October parental consultation pm

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October school closed for staff training day