



Year 1 Newsletter - Term 1

Hello everyone and a very warm welcome to Year 1. We hope you had a fun summer and made lots of lovely memories. We are really looking forward to getting to know you all!

Maths

In Maths this term, we will be looking at place value and counting up to 10. We will be focusing on number formation.

English

In English our learning will be linked to some fantastic books including Owl Babies, Not Now Bernard! Aesop's Fables and The Tiger Who Came to Tea. Our lessons will include lots of role play and drama to sequence the story and discover new characters.

Other subjects

History: we begin our first significant figure topic learning about Elizabeth II.

Geography: our focus will be on maps and learning about compass points.

Art: we will be learning about some important artists, including Thomas Gainsborough and Claude Monet.

Science: our first topic looks at humans and how we grow.

PE

Please make sure that children come into school wearing the correct PE kit on their PE day. In keeping with our P.E. Policy, earrings must be removed on PE days. Both classes will have outdoor PE on Wednesday and indoor PE on Thursday.

PE Kit

- Plain white PE t-shirt (or house team colour)
- Black shorts
- Black or grey track suit
- Trainers (Outdoor PE)
- Plimsolls (Indoor PE)

We are really looking forward to settling the children into school and getting to know you all. If you have any worries or concerns, please feel free to contact us via the office, or on the gate at drop off or pick up.

Reading books

Year 1 continue to follow the Little Wandle scheme. Children will bring home a shared reading book to enjoy with you. On Friday's children will bring home their phonic reading book. This is a teaching resource; therefore, we appreciate these being returned promptly on the following Monday ready to be used with the next group of children. The phonic book will also be available as an e-book. Login details will be in the children's contact books.

Homework

Homework will be given out on Friday each week and is due the following Wednesday.

Water bottles

Children need to bring in a named water bottle every day even if they are having a school dinner. We encourage children to drink water regularly. Bottles will be sent home every afternoon.

Contact books

Contact books are a form of communication for parents and carers instead of using Seesaw which may not be checked every day. Contact books must be handed in every day as they are checked by a member of the Year 1 team.

Painting apron

Please send in an old t-shirt, shirt or painting apron with your child's name on for painting in. This will stay in your child's book bag to be used each week during Art or DT.

Important dates:

Term 1: Thursday 1st September - Thursday 20th October.

Year 1 Parents meeting: Thursday 8th September 2:45pm.

Staff development day: Friday 30th September

Just a reminder that the school day has been extended from September. School will start at 8.45 with gates closing at 8.50. Collection time is now 3.20.

Miss Gunner and Miss Marsh