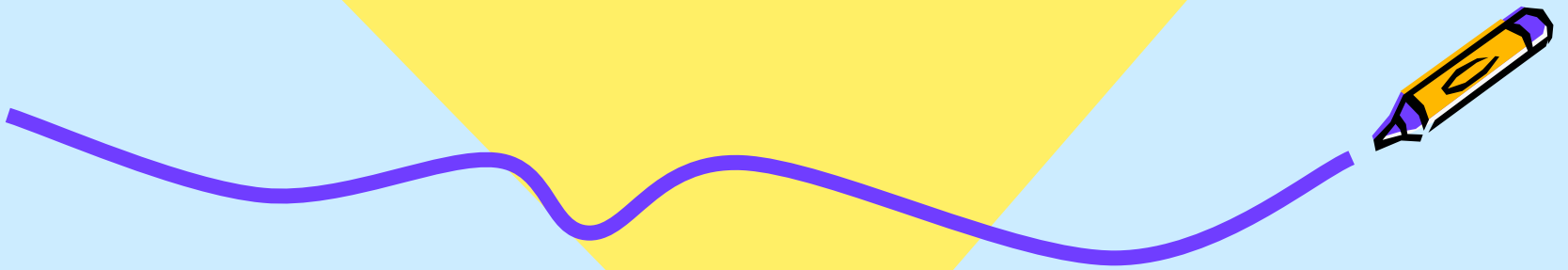


Welcome to Year 1



Welcome

- Two Year 1 classes

1S - Miss Stuart

1D - Mrs Dabija

- Mrs Taylor - Third teacher for Year 1 and Year 2
- Learning Support Assistants - Mrs Snowdon
Ms Stringer



Purpose



To inform parents and carers of the changes their children will be experiencing as they start Year 1, so that parents and carers better understand how to support children with these changes.



Transition and change



- Children are moving from structured play-based learning in Reception to a more formalised learning environment in Year 1.
- We will help smooth the transition by incorporating learning through play.



Independence



In Year 1 children should start becoming more independent. They should be doing more and more for themselves.

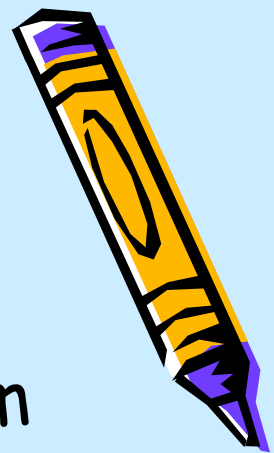
For example:

- Dressing independently.
- Packing their book bags the night before.
- Tidying-up toys.
- Hanging up their own coats and sorting out their book bags (PACT folders).



Punctuality and Attendance

- Children promptly start school at 8:30am and finish at 2:45pm. They will be collected at the Back gate by their class teacher. In the afternoon please collect your child from the Back gate.
- If another responsible adult is collecting your child please let the class teacher or the office know.



School Clothing

- Please make sure your child's clothes and school items are all named!
- Please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing for daily physical activities.
- Every child needs a school hat, a bottle of water (named) and a PACT folder.



Medication



- All medication needs to be given to the office with clear instructions and a form filled in.



The School Day



- Each class has a chosen topic to support the curriculum.
- Please check the website for details of what will be covered.



Literacy

Includes:

- Speaking and listening
- Reading
- Weekly Guided Reading sessions (starts in Spring term)
- Spelling/Phonics
- Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation (Grammar)
- Literacy Lessons
- Handwriting



Literacy

Reading



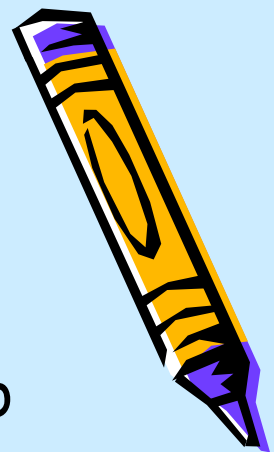
- Your child will be given a reading book daily.
Please note that the books will be cleaned daily.
- Please read with your child daily. Sign and make a comment so we can give them a new book. Your child does not have to read the entire book in one night. Just make a note of the page number.



Literacy

Spelling

- Spelling words will be given to the children to learn. This will start after Christmas.
- They will be given a few words a week and will be tested the following week on those words.
- Please help your child practise their spelling words so that they are ready for their test the following week. Look, say, cover, write and check is a good method to use.



Literacy

Phonics Screening Check:

- From June 2012, the Government introduced the Phonics Screening Check for all children in England in Year 1.
- As far as we are aware this will go ahead, unless the guidance from the Government changes.
- It is a 40 word check and will assess phonics skills. The check will entail segmenting and blending of decodable and pseudo words. This is normally carried out towards the end of the year (June) and is done in a relaxed environment 1:1 with their class teacher.



Numeracy

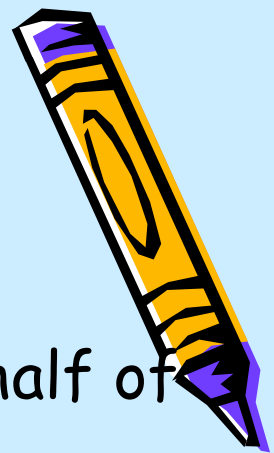
We will be following the National Curriculum, which covers:

- Numbers to 100
- Number bonds to 20
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division
- Shape
- Measure
- Fractions
- Problem solving
- Reasoning



Additional Curriculum Subjects

- French with a specialist teacher in the second half of the Summer term
- Art and Music with specialist teachers
- Humanities through Literacy/Topic work
- Science
- ICT (Information Technology)
- DT (Design and Technology)
- RE (Religious Education)
- PSICHE (Personal, Social, Citizenship, Health Education)
- Games/Dance/Gymnastics (Physical Education)



PE

- Children will have one outdoor games session and one indoor games session.
- We are also trying to include an extra 10 minutes of physical activity a day to promote a healthy lifestyle and to further exercise their minds and bodies!



School Trips

- We will begin to resume some visits using our minibuses but for the time being we will refrain from using public transport.



Extra-curricular activities



- Breakfast club and after school care will be resuming from September. Please check with Mrs Bailey.
- After school clubs will be resuming but we will have to restrict some classes to year group bubbles, further details to follow.



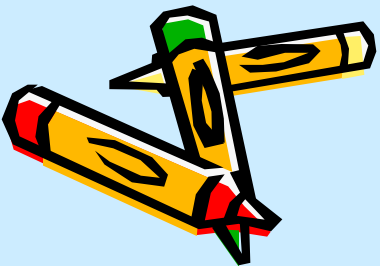
Ways you can support your child at home.



- Reading daily
- Support child to learn spellings
- Encourage independence

Get involved

- Website
- Newsletter
- PTA



Looking forward to seeing you in
September!

