

Year 1

Reminders



Our topics

If you'd like to find out our summer term topics please go to the Year 1 section of our website, where they are all listed. I will also send home knowledge organisers for the key learning of each topic for you to talk about at home too.

PE Kit

PE this term will be on a Thursday afternoon so your child should be sent into school in their kit every Thursday.

Library

Library day is still every Monday, books to be returned every Friday.

Water bottles

Please ensure bottles are **named** and **sent into school each morning**. The children will especially need them as the weather gets warmer.

Homework

Just a reminder that homework tasks will be outlined on my weekly Purple Mash postcard. Like last half term I will be sending home a booklet of mental maths workouts for year 1 and a booklet of spelling, grammar and punctuation activities at an expected level for year 1. The pages in these booklets will be labelled and one of each are to be completed each week.

Summer Term News

Welcome back!

I hope you've all had a great Easter holiday and enjoyed the amazing weather we have had. This term's topics provide many opportunities for us to investigate and learn outside so let's hope the good weather continues.

In this newsletter I hope to give you a bit of information about the term ahead, but should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to come and see me.



Uniform

As it gets warmer the children like to take off their jumpers or cardigans, could I please ask you to check that your child's name is clearly labelled. Otherwise it makes it very difficult to match up jumpers/cardigans to the correct child at the end of the day.



Year 1 Phonics Screening Check.

In normal times in Year 1 it is a national requirement that your child completes a phonics screening check where they are required to read a range of real and nonsense words using all the set 2 and 3 phonic sounds they've been taught through Read, Write, Inc. Whilst the official phonics check has been suspended we will still be carrying out our own internal assessments to measure your child's phonics knowledge.

Parental Support

Thank you for all the support you give your child already. Please continue to read regularly at home, little and often is best. Sharing and enjoying their library book that they've chosen is invaluable too, especially when time is given to talk about the book, new vocabulary, key events and characters actions.

Home Learning

Mental Maths

At the beginning of each Maths lesson we practice our mental calculations including counting in 2s, 5s & 10s; recalling and applying addition and subtraction facts within 20 which involves number bonds recall. I will send home a set of mental maths challenges like last half term to do one a week.

Reading

As last term your child will be sent home with a reading book and library book every Monday. Both books need to be returned on Friday in the provided bag so they be quarantined for 48 hours over the weekend. Please read a little of their book every day and repetition builds fluency.

Spellings

Last term the children practiced a given set of spellings every morning on the arrival to school. However, this term they will be given a set of spellings on a Friday which are to be kept at home and practiced every day using the look, cover, say, write and check approach which the children are familiar with.