

Reading and Homework

Your children will have been given a reading log and reading book. We encourage the children to share their book or any book with you as often as possible. This helps your child develop confidence when reading and allows them to apply what they have learnt at school during the day with you. Please read and sign the purple diary at least three times a week. Remember all children that read and log it in the purple reading diary will be entered into the prize draw. It would help your child to practise number pairs to 10 and counting forwards and backwards to 20.

Each week your child will be given spellings that we are learning in class. We have also attached the common words that children need to read and spell by the end of year 1.



Here are some fun websites that you might like to share with your child

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/ParentsMenu.htm>

http://www.iboard.co.uk/activities/path/word-work_high-frequency-words



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Welcome to Year One!



Year One Staff

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Mrs Grandtnerova

Miss Peacock

Mrs Bright

Mrs Lilley

Miss Murphy

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Miss Baxter

Mrs Dench

Mrs Kidby

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Miss Ward

Mrs Larkin

Mrs Killick

1CB

Miss Coppin

Miss Bland

Mrs Millson

Miss Shuttlewood

Miss Morley-Souter



Autumn 1: Who am I? Autumn 2: Polar Adventurers

This half term our Year One topic is Who Am I? After half term we will be learning about Polar adventurers.

Children will learn to identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body. They will be able to say which part of the body is associated with each sense.

In the second half term children will be learning about different animals and their habitats. We will be focusing on polar animals especially penguins. We will be exploring ice and Antarctica. We are hoping to visit Colchester ZOO and we will inform you about this trip in the near future.

We will be grateful if you would like to look at these topics at home with your child, the class would love to hear about what you have found out at home.

Here are some websites you may like to look at to get you started...

www.sheppardsoftware.com

<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com>

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/besmart/animals.html>

School Routines

The children have settled in to Year One very happily and the majority of them with no tears at all!

Now that the children are in Year One, we are encouraging them to be more independent by leaving you at the door and entering the classroom by themselves. If you are worried about this or need to speak to the teacher regarding your child, home time is the best time as it allows the teacher to listen without interruptions.



Physical Education

All Year One classes will be having indoor and outdoor P.E this term. Your child will need to ensure that they have their P.E kits in school on their peg at all times. We ask that all items of the P.E kit and your child's uniform be labelled with their name. This is to help us ensure that your child does not lose items of clothing.



P.E Kit List

*Plain white t-shirt, black shorts, tracksuit bottoms, jumper or hoody (any colour)

*Suitable footwear e.g. plimsols or trainers

We would also like to remind parents that children are not permitted to wear jewellery in school. If your child wears earrings they will need to be removed on PE days.



We are also reminding children to bring a labelled water bottle into school. Children concentrate better when they are hydrated and it is important that they have regular water intakes. Please remember that squash or any other flavored drinks are not allowed.

Tuck shop will be open every Thursday and children can buy a healthy snack for 25p.

There will be an educational visit this term for Year One, we will let you know further details closer to the time.



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