Year 1 - Class Newsletter

Autumn 1

Dear Parents and Carers,
A warm welcome to Key Stage 1 and to Year 1! We hope you all had a lovely summer and a well-deserved rest. All the staff are looking forward to getting to know the children this half term and helping them to feel settled into their new classroom.



What does my child need to bring to school each day?

Children need to bring:

- their book bag, planner and reading book to school each day
- an appropriate coat, so they are able to play outside in all weathers
- a plastic water bottle
- a PE kit, which can stay in school in their locker and will be sent home at the end of each half term.
- homework folder (sent home every Friday and to be returned every Thursday)

Homework

Our key focus as a school this year will be on *reading* and making sure all our pupils become competent and confident readers. Pupils are expected to read a minimum of 5 times a week with daily reading (where possible) strongly encouraged. All pupils will have a planner this year, which parents should date, sign and write the pages their child has read at home.

Every Friday your child will bring home their weekly homework, which needs to be completed and brought back to school by Thursday. This will include activities linked to weekly spellings, fine motor skills/handwriting and a page to complete in their maths work books.

Home time

At home time, pupils will come out with their class and must wait for a member of school staff to call their name before they are allowed to go. Please can we ask that you are patient with us whilst we get to know your faces, names and which adult is collecting your child. We thoroughly appreciate your cooperation with helping us to ensure your child is dismissed safely.

Learning Challenge

During this half term, Year 1 will transform into historians to answer the question 'What was life like for our grandparents?' This learning challenge will focus on finding out more about life in the past and what it was like. We will compare our modern day life to that of our grandparents and even beyond!

Thank you in advance for all your support and we look forward to getting to know you more this year.

Kind regards, Miss Madden (Sharks) and Miss Jones (Dolphin).

	Here is an overview of our learning across the curriculum this term.
English:	Drawing Club
Maths:	Place value, addition and subtraction
Reading:	The Tiger who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr Not Now Bernard By David Mckee Biography text based on Beatrix Potter
History	Comparison to life in the past
Science:	The human body, senses and autumn
Computing:	Online safety and using Purple Mash
Art:	Drawing
RE:	Christians.
PSHE:	Meet the Brain
Music:	Hey you!