



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 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:

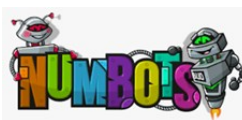
- their book bag, planner and reading book to school each day
- an appropriate coat, so they are able to play outside in all weathers
- a plastic water bottle
- a PE kit, which can stay in school on their peg and will be sent home at the end of each half term.
- homework book (to be returned and completed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

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 Monday your child will bring home their weekly homework, which needs to be completed and brought back to school by Friday.



Pupils can also access Spelling Shed (www.spellingshed.com) and Numbots (www.numbots.com) to help improve their general spelling and calculation knowledge. Logins details with usernames and passwords for these websites will be stuck in the front of your child's planner.

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 which child. We thoroughly appreciate your cooperation with this and helping us to ensure your child is dismissed safely.

Learning Challenge

During the first half term, Year 1 will

transform into geographers to answer the question 'Where do the wheels on the bus go?'

This learning challenge will focus on finding out more about Middleton and will consist of a trip around our local area including a visit to Middleton Library.



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

Kind regards, Miss Riaz (Sharks) and Mrs Smythe (Dolphin).

	Here is an overview of our learning across the curriculum this term.
English:	Full stops, post cards and narrative
Maths:	Place value, addition and subtraction
Reading:	Where the Wild Things Are and author focus on Maurice Sendak.
Geography	Local area
Science:	The human body, senses and autumn
Computing:	Online safety and using Purple Mash
Art:	Drawing
RE:	How did the world begin?
PSHE:	Me and my relationships
Music:	Hey you!