

# Term 1 – Why are Julia Donaldson's books so popular?



Welcome to Year 1! We are so excited for this year and the adventures we will go on. We will be doing lots of learning but also having so much fun. We have had an incredible first week back and we are so proud of how quickly they have settled into Koala class. We are very lucky to have them in our class.

Love Miss Thomas, Mrs Rogers and Mr Kemp x

## P.E – Monday and Friday

Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit.

Monday: outdoor P.E with Elite

Friday: indoor P.E with Miss Thomas (plimsolls can be kept at school)

## Forest School with Mrs Harvey - Tuesday (am)

We are very lucky to have Mrs Harvey for forest school! Please ensure your child has long sleeves and trousers. Puddle suits and wellies to be left at school.

## Key dates

**18<sup>th</sup> September, 3:30pm** – Parent information session, in Year 1

**27<sup>th</sup> September, 9:30am** – Harvest Festival @ the Church

**25<sup>th</sup> October, 9:00am** – Year 1's family worship in the hall

## THIS TERM WE WILL BE LEARNING...

### ENGLISH

Rhyming phrases, postcards, re-telling, character description  
*Stick Man, The Gruffalo, Room on the Broom*

### MATHS

Place value to 10, addition and subtraction

### SCIENCE

What are seasons? What happens in Autumn?

### R.E

What do Christians believe God is like?

### HISTORY

Our family tree, personal timeline

### ART

Andy Goldsworthy

### PSHE

'Being me in my world'

### ICT

Online safety & pictograms

### P.E

Dance and ball skills

### MUSIC

Why does music follow pulse?

## Introducing Kim & Karen the Koalas!

Each Friday, Miss Thomas will choose two children to take home cuddly Koalas. Inside the bag is a book where you can add pictures and your child can write about the adventures they have had that week! The Koala's are to be returned on **Thursdays**.



## Snack time!

Please provide your child with a fruit/vegetable for their morning snack. School will provide their afternoon snack.



Check out Class Dojo for updates on our learning.



Contact Miss Thomas via Dojo

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## Home learning

### Let's be bookworms!



Reading: 5-10 minutes x5 a week

Your child will always have 2 reading books that correlate to their RWI level. We expect the books to be read x3 each to help build fluency! Please write in your child's reading journal each time they read – they'll receive a dojo point. Reading books will be changed on Mondays.

*Book bags (with their books and reading journals) to be brought in daily.*

To help your child's reading, I have sent home a list of red words (words you cannot sound out) for them to practise reading and writing.

### EdShed



Your child has received an EdShed log in. This can be found on the inside cover of their yellow reading journals.

EdShed will be used both at school and at home. Each week, we will have a list of spellings to practise. They will do this on EdShed, which has a range of games to help support them and learn the set words. We expect your child to practise their spellings on EdShed at home, 5 times a week for 5 minutes.

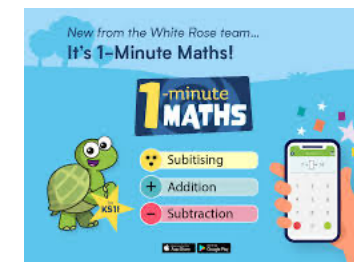
On Friday, they will complete a spelling test on EdShed at school.

Please use EdShed on a web browser – this is free! Whereas the app is not.

**More information on this at the parent information session on the 18<sup>th</sup> September at 3:30.**

### Maths

No maths home learning will be set. However, I would strongly recommend downloading the White Rose, 1 Minute Maths app.



I will occasionally post links on Dojo of any games that will support what your child has been learning.

Practising number bonds to 10 always be appreciated. E.g.  $1 + 9 = 10$