

MISS LISTER

# Welcome to Year 1

### Daily Routines

The children will be dropped off at the Year 1 gate where a member of the Year 1 team will greet them between 8.45-8.55am. They will be picked up at the same door at 3.25pm.

At the start of the year, the children will be creating our class rules based on 'Ready, Safe and Respect'. We use a behaviour chart, where all children aim to move up to 'Outstanding'. We focus on the positive and staff will be looking for children modelling our class rules. Once the whole class is at the top, they receive a treat that they have previously chosen as a class.

We ask that children bring a named water bottle to keep hydrated throughout the day and that your child has a waterproof coat in school at all times as we go outside in all weathers.

A piece of fruit is provided for snack time in the afternoon. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform.

### Curriculum - Autumn 1

We have lots of exciting things to learn about this year, starting with our topic 'Travel and Transport'.

#### **History**:

In History, we are looking forward to learning about vehicles from the past and vehicles from the present. We will be placing vehicles in chronological order and looking at similarities and differences between vehicles.

#### Art:

In Art, we are going to be mixing primary colours to get secondary colours using wax crayons. We will be applying paint with different sized brushes. Once learning these skills, we will be creating a piece of artwork inspired by Piet Mondrian.

#### **English:**

We will be doing lots of writing in Year 1 looking at forming sentences and using a capital letter, finger space and full stop. We will be reading the book 'Harry the Happy Mouse' and be creating missing posters, writing our own chapter for the story, writing in role and learning facts about mice.

#### PE

In PE we are practising moving forwards and backwards, changing direction, making tall shapes and small shapes, and practising rolls in gymnastics. We will also be learning how to throw and catch a ball.

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#### Maths

In Maths we will be consolidating recognising numbers to 20, placing them in order, finding a number one more and one less to 20, adding and taking away using a number line and ordinal numbers

#### **Science**

In Science we will be learning about the signs of Autumn and going on an Autumn walk.

#### <u>RE</u>

We will be learning about Harvest, God and Creation. The children will learn about where their food comes from and why Christians celebrate Harvest. We will also spend time learning about the Jewish festival of Sukkot.

#### **Phonics**

We follow the Read Write INC phonic programme. The children have daily phonics sessions. Your child will be put into a group according to their assessment. Just like in Reception, they will bring home a Phonics Book to read at home. Please listen to your child read daily to help them with their fluency and comprehension. The children will each have a reading record, please write in the book when you have listened to your child read.

If you require any further information about how best to support your child with phonics, please don't hesitate to contact me.

### Assessments

Each term we will have NFER assessments to analyse pupil attainment. These results will be reported to you in our school reports.

At the beginning of teaching a new maths unit pupils will encounter a preassess to see what knowledge the child has and which areas may need extra support. At the end of each unit they will then be assessed to check their understanding.

Children are closely monitored in phonics and move groups accordingly.

### Homework Expectations

Each Friday, the children will get their Phonics book to take home. Please return these the following Thursday.

Children are also encouraged to access Numbots for 30 minutes each week to aid their maths fluency. If you are unsure of your child's log in details, please contact me.

## PE days and physical activities

#### MONDAY and THURSDAY

Children must wear the correct P.E kit so that they are able to safely participate.

Hair should be tied back and no earrings should be worn. Children must be able to remove earrings themselves.

Every day, the children will have 15 minutes of additional physical movement to refresh concentration and provide a brain break from learning.

# Learning in Nature

Throughout the year, the children will have Learning Through Nature sessions. This will be on a MONDAY

For information about what to wear for this, please go to:

https://www.fulwoodstpeters.co.uk/learning-through-nature/

### Communication

To contact myself, please use Dojo. However, please note that these messages may not be responded to immediately as they may be in lesson time.

Dojos are monitored and responded to in school hours between 8:30 and 4pm. If your query is of a more pressing nature, please email or call the office to leave a message for your child's teacher. If there is a change to the collection arrangements for the day, please inform the school office as soon as possible.

Absences and illnesses can be phoned through the school office 01772 864550. Mrs Peacock and Mrs Pantlin are also available on Dojo.