KS1 Parents Information Meeting

Tuesday 15th July

5pm



Purpose of the meeting: (may be a refresher for children going into year 2

- To introduce the teaching staff working in the department
- To give an overview of how the department works
- To give general day to day information
- Inform you of key dates for the year
- To let you know how you can communicate with us
- A chance to ask any questions

Meet the teaching staff:







Mrs Craven Miss Kadir Miss Byrne

Routines of the day:

We use these 2 doors for all children to enter school each morning and leave school each evening:

Miss Byrne's class enter and leave via this door



Mrs Craven's and
Miss Kadir's
classes enter and
leave via this door

Start of the day

• The children will come into school each morning once we open the doors. They do not need to line up.

 Please encourage the children to come into school independently, we will be there to help and support with this.

 The children will come in each morning and begin their 'early morning work'. This will either be handwriting practice or daily arithmetic activities.

End of the day:

- We will begin to open the doors and let children out at around 3.05 as this allows us time to stagger letting the children out as the playground can become crowded.
- At the start of the year as we get to know you all, letting the children out will take longer while we ensure their safety so please bear with us on this and be patient.
- Both Mrs Craven's class and Miss Kadir's class will be released from the same door so please be extra patient with these classes.

What will your child do each day/week?

- Throughout the week the children will engage in a range of lessons and activities:
- Phonics lessons
- English/writing lessons
- Maths lessons
- Religion lessons and worship
- Topic lessons history or geography based
- Science lessons
- PE lessons
- Throughout the half term they will also engage in D&T lessons, art lessons, RHE lessons, computing lessons
- The children will also engage in the continuous provision areas throughout the week where they will be free to lead their own learning and also engage in set challenges for the week.

How you will find out about what the children are learning about each half term:



Key Stage Autumn 1 Mrs Craven, Miss Harrison/Mrs Kelly Miss Byrne

CORE SUBJECTS

ENGLISH

Text focus: Boris Starts School, The Lonely Beast, Maya's Walk

Writing focus

- Sentences to describe Boris the Bear, sentences for Boris' feelings, sentences for how we should treat people
- Sentences to describe the Beast, a recount of the Beast's travels, when I feel I onely sentences, sentences to write the end of the story using the last 2 pages picture prompts
- Sentences about what May a sees, recount sentences about our walk into the local area using senses, sentences to say why Maya and the Lonely Beast would love our local area

Reading: guided reading for year 2, story time and class read each day

Spelling, grammar and punctuation: a range of grammar and punctuation embedded daily

Phonics: taught daily in groups with sounds appropriate to each child's phonic knowledge and challenge point

RELIGION – Families

To know and understand:

- The love and care shown in the family
- God's love and care for every family
- The many beginnings each day offers
- God is present in every beginning

MATHS-Place value and addition and subtraction

Year 1

Sort objects, count objects, count objects from a larger group, represent objects, recognise numbers as words. Count on from any number, 1 more, count backwards within 10, 1 less, compare groups by matching

Fewer/more/same, less than/greater than/equal to, compare numbers, order objects and numbers, the number line

Introduce parts and wholes, part whole model, write number sentences, fact families – addition facts, number bonds within 10

Year 2

Numbers to 20, count objects to 100 making 10s, recognise tens and ones, use a place value chart, partition numbers to 100.

Write numbers to 100 in words, flexibly partition numbers to 100, write numbers to 100 in expanded form, 10s on a number line to 100, 10s and 1s on a number line to 100.

Estimate numbers on a number line, compare objects, compare numbers, order objects and numbers, count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Count in 3s, bonds to 10, fact families - addition and subtraction bonds to 20, related facts, bonds to 100.

SCIENCE

Living things and their habitats

-identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other

Animals including humans:

-find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air)

Computing—Programming Bee

- Recognise cause and effect when pressing buttons on a virtual Bee-Bot.
- Discuss and demonstrate how the virtual Bee-Bot works.
- Record video, ensuring everyone is in the shot.
- Give several clear instructions in sequence.
- Program a virtual Bee-Bot to reach a destination.
- Identify and correct mistakes in their programming.

RHE— created to live in community

Children will lear n that:

- God is love: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
- Being made in His image means being called to be loved and to love others
- To know what a community is, and that God calls us to live in community with one another
- A scripture illustrating the importance of living in community as a consequence of this
- Jesus' teaching on neighbours

PHSE -

Health and well being activities



FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

TOPIC – Where am I? A local area study (geography)

- State that the UK stands for the United Kingdom.
- Point to each country in the UK on a map when prompted.
- Verbally identify features within the school grounds.
- Use and respond to directional language.
- State that an aerial photograph is taken from above.
- Recognise some familiar features in aerial photographs.
- Explain that symbols show features on a map.
- Add symbols to a map.
- Create a messy map of their local area

ART— Craft and design—map it out

- Sort map images into groups, explaining their choices.
- Draw a map of their journey to school, including key landmarks and different types of mark-making.
- Follow instructions to make a piece of felt that holds together and resembles their map.

PE—Gymnastics

Year

I can make my body curled, tensed, stretched and relaxed and can use the words to describe is

I can control my body when travelling and balancing.

I can copy a short sequence of skills and repeat it.

I can roll, curl, travel and balance in a variety of ways

Year 2

I plan and perform a sequence of movements, using those taught so far and my own. I improve my sequence based on feedback.

I can think of ways to make a sequence using set expected components.

I can work on my own or with a partner - copying one another or adding components together.

Music - Rhythm in the Way We Walk & Banana Rap (Reggae & Hip Hop)

A range of listen and appraise, musical and performance activities throughout the unit



Phonics

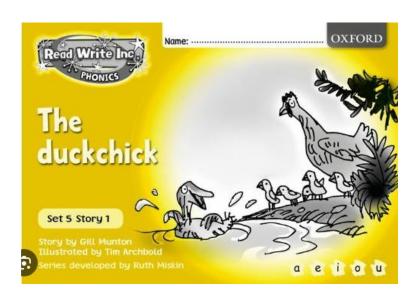
 The children have been recently assessed in their phonics and will be grouped into their phonics groups according to these. They will be grouped according to their 'challenge point'

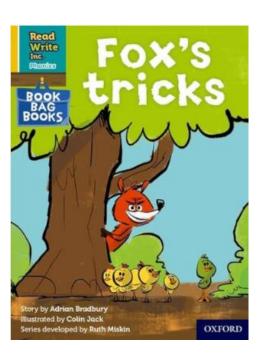
 Each half term the children are re-assessed and re-grouped according to their new challenge point

 We will be holding some phonics workshops for parents this year where you can learn more about what phonics looks like for your child and how you can support them at home

Home reading books

- These go hand in hand with what your child is doing in their phonics group
- They will bring home the book they have read in their group the previous week and a book bag book which goes alongside this:

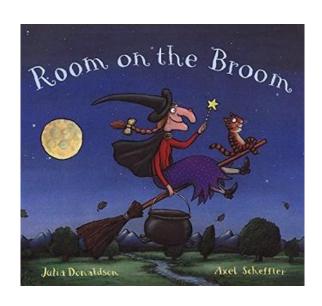




Reading for Pleasure Book

 This can be a book they would like to bring home to share with you, a book they would like you to read to them or if you prefer you can read your own book from home with them or perhaps visit the library.







Books they will bring home:

- So they will home 2 or 3 books each week for their home reading books:
- 1. The book they have read in their phonics lessons (this is paper so be extra careful with these)
- 2. A book bag book which matches their phonics level
- 3. A reading for pleasure book (if they would like to take one)



They will bring home these in their book bag with their reading record. Please comment and sign each week.

We will write in their reading record which day your child should bring their book bag in each week as this is not the same for all children.

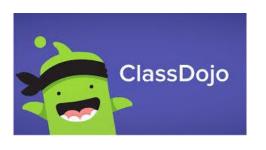
TTRS and NumBots





- Every child will be given a login which works for both TTRS and NumBots.
- We will stick this in the front of their reading records.
- Numbots is a great way for children to practice their basic number skills and mental maths
- TTRS is a great way to get children started on and practicing their times tables.

Behaviour and Reward Systems



- We focus mainly on the reward aspect of these systems:
- Dojos
- Recognition
- Stars of the week
- Saint Award
- Other mini certificates maths star, handwriting star
- Phonics star
- We do not operate a red and yellow card system, children will be spoken to about behaviour choices in the moment and they may be asked to stay in at break time for 5 minutes to reflect on choices.



At home

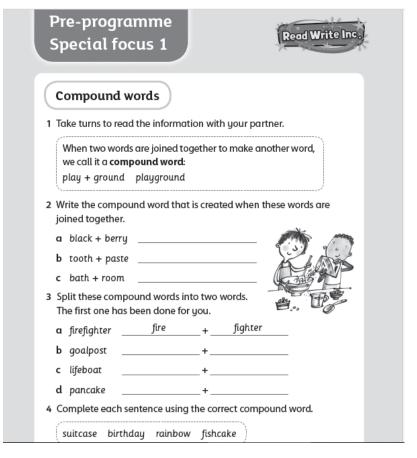
 Hear them read their 2 phonics books. There are questions in these you could ask them to verbally answer.

Read a reading for pleasure book with them or to them.

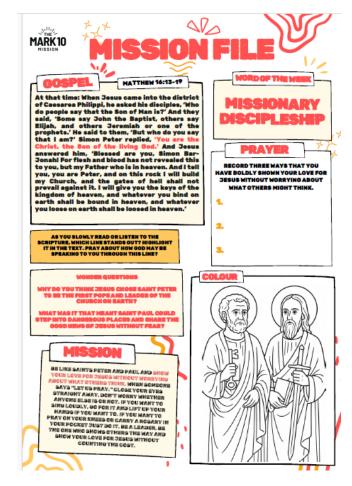
 Then fill in their reading record and send it in to us on their specified day.

Spellings and Mission File

Spellings and Mission file on class dojo and emailed each Friday







Phonics One to One Tutoring

 If your child in identified for one to one tutoring in phonics, this is a daily intervention to help them make speedier progress in their phonics.

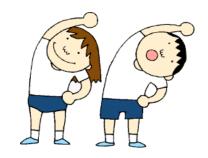
 They may last a half term or longer depending on what we feel they need.

 If your child is identified and you would like to know more about what sounds and words they are focussing on in these groups please just ask.

Important dates:

- Open day in September to come in and see the children in their new environment – date to follow
- Phonics meetings for parents dates to follow
- Christmas Concert in December date to follow
- Assessments for phonics every half term
- Assessments for reading, writing and maths every term (December, April, June/July)
- Year 1 Phonics Screening Check June 2025 (parent info zoom before this)
- Parents meetings/evenings November and April
- End of year reports July 2025





- PE day is still to be decided, we will let you know well in advance of their first PE lesson.
 On their PE day children can attend school in their PE kit.
- Snacks fruit and milk is provided daily but children are welcome to bring in their own healthy snack to eat at break time.
- Please send in a water bottle each day for your child. They can be refilled throughout day.
- We run a 'snack fund' to help supply other snacks and bits for the department for anyone wishing to donate (this is optional). If you do wish to donate a link will be sent at to do so in September.
- NAMES ON EVERYTHING! The children are amazing at taking things off or leaving things
 places and without names they can be very hard to locate again! We spend a lot of time
 searching for lost property!

<u>Uniform reminder</u>

Children should be in full school uniform

School shoes

No jewellery including earrings for safety reasons.

• Plastic holders for the holes can be worn





Opal Play and Outdoor Provision

- For Opal play we will ask that you send in a change of clothes including underwear and socks for their Opal Play bag so that if they get wet or dirty they have a change of clothes in school
- These are also great to have if your child has an accident which can still happen at this age

 Also we will ask for a pair of wellies (with names on) to be sent into school for Opal Play as well as outdoor provision and a waterproof coat (also named) that we can keep in school.

How to contact us:

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Ring the office

We will get back to you as soon as we can.

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Any questions...

- Type them in into the chat
- Email us



• If we can't answer a question we will get back to you via phone call or email.

