



# Year 1 Autumn Newsletter 2021



Welcome back! We are really happy to have you back in school and we are looking forward to the year ahead. We have been working hard to plan lots of interesting lessons and activities for you. Here is an overview of what will be happening this term.

We would like to introduce you to the Year One teaching team:

St Catherine's - Miss Minhas, Mrs Ridge, Mrs Sena (Mornings)

St Martin's - Mrs Pearce, Mrs Mariam, Mrs Heavy, Mrs Sena (Afternoons)

## The School Day

This term you will be able to bring in a school bag which should have your reading book, reading record and a water bottle. Remember to also bring your lunch box (if you aren't having school dinners).

Below is an outline of what we will be learning with the children in this autumn term:

Subject	Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
English	Fiction and Poetry work will be based on the stories of 'Ruby's Worry', 'Dogger', 'The Toys Playtime' and 'The Three Little Pigs'.	Fiction, Non-Fiction and Poetry work will be based on the stories of 'The Colour Monster', 'Beegu' and 'The Nativity Story'.
Maths	Place Value of numbers within 20, and Addition and Subtraction.	2D and 3D shape, Position and Direction, Place Value of numbers.
RE	Families - Learning about why we have a family and who is in our family. Including learning about how Jesus is part of our family.	Belonging - Learning about what it means to belong to a special group. Then moving on to learning about Baptisms and the significance of them.
Topic	Toys - looking at how toys from the past differ from the toys we play with now. We will also be designing and making finger puppets and a pop-up moving toy.	Our School - learning about our local area. We will be learning how to use Google Maps and will learn how to draw maps from an aerial point of view.

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**My Week at School** - Each week you will be able to view information about your child's 'Week at School'. This will be sent out via Schoolcomms. The document will inform you each week of the different learning activities the children will be doing in Year 1.

## **Reading**

Our expectations are for children to read a least 5 times each week. When the children have read a set amount of times they will receive a certificate in Achievement Assembly. Please refer to the Reading Letter that you received.

## **P.E days**



Year 1's PE days are on a Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on that day. As the weather can be very changeable in the autumn term, children can wear their PE tracksuits with their shorts and house colour t-shirt underneath. Children are to wear trainers on this day.

## **Homework**

English - Spelling homework can be found on Ed Shed - <https://www.edshed.com/> (There is also a Spelling Shed app). This will begin after the October half term.

Maths - Maths homework can be found on Maths Factor via your Active Learn username and password. <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0> This will begin after October half term.

RE - Please complete the Gospel page in the Reading Record each week.

We all look forward to the year ahead and encourage you to email the school if there is anything you are not sure of.

Kind regards,

The Year One Team



**Thank you for your support and we look forward to working together to help your child be the best that they can be!**