

## Year 1 Newsletter Term 1

Welcome to Year 1!

We hope you have all had a safe, restful, and relaxing summer holiday. We have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming your children back to school and into Year One. We have been very proud of the way that they have settled into their new routines and the new school day.

We are looking forward to a new term of great learning. Our topic this term is London and we have introduced this through the story of Paddington Bear, which the children are really enjoying! We will also be reading the story of Vlad and the Great Fire of London as well as finding out the life and works of Isambard Kingdom Brunel.

This term in English, we will be focusing on handwriting using a 'lead out' approach, and ensuring that the children write using the correct letter formation. We will learn how to formulate a sentence and will apply our phonic knowledge to describe Paddington Bear.

Every day, the children have a phonics lesson where they will recap previous learning as well as being introduced to new sounds.

In Maths, we will practise counting forwards and backwards and 1:1 correspondence. We will be investigating the structure of numbers using different resources and using this knowledge to order numbers to 30. We will use number lines to find the number that is 1 more and 1 less than a number to 30.

In Science, we will be looking at Humans. We will identify the main parts of our body and how they help us carry out everyday tasks. We will carry out investigations to find out about our senses.

We will have weekly lessons in PSHE, RE, British Values, History, Design and Technology, Computing and Online Safety.

We will celebrate our successes during the celebration assemblies on Friday mornings.





The children will have weekly PE lessons which will focus on fundamental movement skills such as kicking and throwing. In addition to this, the children will have cycling lessons with Paul Ashman. Please can bikes be left outside Chipmunks and collected at the end of the day from the playground. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit and that they have a helmet.

## Meet the team!

<u>1RH</u> Mrs Ramlall (Teacher – Monday and Tuesday) Mrs Heath (Teacher – Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) Miss Probets (Teaching Assistant)

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Miss Yakub (Teacher - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) Miss Myler (Teacher – Thursday and Friday) Mrs McMullen (Teaching Assistant - Monday and Tuesday) Miss Liddiard (Teaching Assistant - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)

Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. Homework for this term will be phonics practise.

Reading records will be sent home for you to annotate and sign. On a Friday, your child will be allocated an e-book- please record this in the reading record. We ask that children read at least 5 times a week to an adult. The number of reads are counted and then celebrated in assembly. Please note that we can only count a maximum of one read per day.

Reading groups will start week commencing the 11<sup>th</sup> September. Please contact us if you have not received the timing of your child's reading session.

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Many thanks for your support! We look forward to sharing a fantastic term with you all! The Year 1 team

