

W E L C O M E

**Welcome to Year 1
Parent Meeting**

friendship

learning

fun!

exciting

success



Meet the team in Year 1.

- Oak Class - Mrs Fowler Marsh (Tuesday- Friday) Mrs Morrison (Monday)
- TA: Miss Trott
- Pine Class – Miss Doherty (Tuesday-Friday) Mrs Hyatt (Monday)
- TA: Miss Gabb and Mr Battersby



Transition

- The children will now follow the National Curriculum – Maths, English and foundation subjects.
- To begin with in Year 1 we will be using a continuous provision approach using rotational activities and some child initiated learning and we will move towards more formal teaching as the children progress throughout the year, as they move towards Year 2.



Our topics

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
English - Writing	<p>Text focus: Problem /Resolution</p> <p>Main Text: Owl Babies Linked text: The Dark and A first book of Nature.</p> <p>Outcome: to sequence a short lost and found narrative.</p>	<p>Text focus: Traditional Tales</p> <p>Model Text: Giant Linked text: Traditional tales.</p> <p>Outcome: to write a short traditional tale.</p>	<p>Text focus: Information texts, narratives.</p> <p>Model Text: Look Up, Little People, Big Dreams Mae Jemison and Neil Armstrong.</p> <p>Outcome: to write an information text about astronauts.</p>	<p>Text focus: Narrative/persuasion</p> <p>Model Text – I want my hat back</p> <p>Outcome: to write a letter.</p>	<p>Text focus: Adventure Stories</p> <p>Model Text: The Barnaby Rudge Project, The World's Most Ridiculous Animals.</p> <p>Outcome: to write postcards, labels, short bursts of non-fiction writing.</p>	<p>Text focus: Poetry</p> <p>Model Text: What is Pink? Christina Rossetti.</p> <p>Outcome: to write a poem in the style of a Rossetti poem.</p> <p>Texts to Entertain: Mystery story</p> <p>Model Text: Hermelin</p> <p>Outcome: to write a short detective/mystery story.</p>
History	<p>Houses and Homes To compare aspects of life in different periods.</p>		<p>Space - Neil Armstrong/Apollo 11 To understand the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements.</p>		<p>Scott of the Antarctic To understand the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements.</p>	
Geography	<p>What is it like here? To locate the school on an aerial photograph. To create a map of the classroom. To locate key features of the playground. To draw a simple map. To investigate how we feel about our playground. To create a design to improve our playground.</p>		<p>What is the weather like in the UK? To locate the four countries of the UK. To identify seasonal changes in the UK. To identify the four compass directions. To investigate daily weather patterns. To understand how the weather changes with each season.</p>		<p>What is it like to live in Shanghai? To recognise physical and human features To draw a sketch map. To name and locate some continents on a world map. To identify physical and human features of a non-European country. To describe what it is like in Shanghai. To compare Shanghai to a small area of the UK.</p>	

Break time

- At break times we encourage the children to have a healthy snack, drink and use the toilet.
- If your child is on the milk list then they will be given a carton to take up to the playground with them. Any questions or issues with milk should be referred to Mrs Royds in the office.
- Water is available throughout the day and we encourage the children to have a drink at appropriate times. Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school everyday.

Routines

- We open the doors to Year 1 at 8.30am for a soft start. Please don't send your children in to school before an adult is positioned at the Year 1 door entrance.
- All children should be in school by 8.40am.
- It is important that all children attend school regularly and we ask that you don't take your children away during term time.
- Illnesses (coughs and colds) will be on the rise as we approach winter, please still try to send your children into school and if they are too poorly we will send them home.

P.E.



- P.E. is currently on a Wednesday. This will continue until we start Forest School.
- Please send your child's P.E. kit in on a Monday and collect it on a Friday.
- All pupils are expected to wear Burford P.E. kit as detailed on the website.
- You can purchase uniform from Sports Crest in High Wycombe.

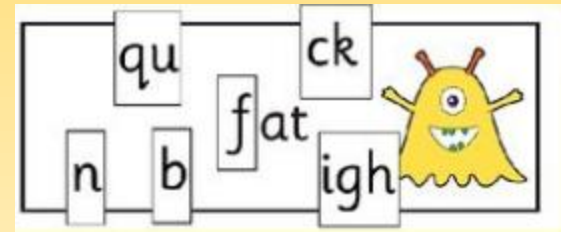


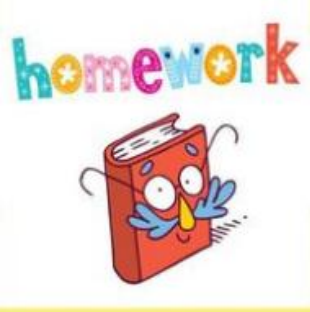
Reading

- Books will be changed on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays. Your child will be given one book at a time.
- Please read with your child daily for approximately 10 minutes
- Please sign the record book when you have heard your child read and indicate which page your child has read up to or if they have finished the book. Even if your child has read a different book to you, that is not their school book, please sign this in their reading record. This can include non-fiction, newspapers etc.
- It is very important to hear your child read even when they are fluent readers.

Phonics

- In Year 1 we teach Phonics every day.
- We use Floppy Phonics, which is a programme that the children have used in Reception.
- Year 1 complete a statutory phonics check in June. The children will receive homework related to this nearer the time.
- There will be a phonics meeting for parents nearer to Christmas.





Homework

- We expect all children to read to an adult at home every evening (for approximately 10 minutes).
- Each Wednesday (starting from October), all children will have a piece of phonics homework set. This should be returned by the following Monday.
- We encourage parents to support their children with homework – not to do it for them directly, but instead to explain any points and to encourage children to take pride in the presentation of their work. Please try to help your child with correct letter formation. Please encourage your child to complete their homework with a writing pencil.
- After Christmas, we will also be setting the children Maths homework.

Google Classroom

- Everyone should receive an invite to Google Classroom. You should accept the invite as we occasionally use this to share information to the year group.
- Google classroom is also used to save computing work during lessons.
- As your child moves through the school they will use this platform more often.

Forest School



Oak class will have their Forest School sessions on a Wednesday afternoon with Mrs Fowler Marsh.

Pine class will have their Forest School sessions on a Thursday afternoon with Miss Doherty.

Please see the handout for appropriate clothing for Forest School sessions. The children will come into school on their day dressed for Forest School.

We will need your support with Forest School and ask that parent reps arrange a rota for volunteers.

Thank you

- We hope that this presentation is useful. Should you have any questions, please feel free to speak to a member of staff.
- We aim to ensure that your children's experience in Year 1 is a happy and rewarding one. We look forward to working with both you and your child/children.

