

Year One Newsletter

Autumn Term



Hello and welcome to Year One! We hope you had a lovely Summer break and are ready for the new term. This half term's topic is **Where My Wellies Take Me** and we hope that your child is ready for some fun (with a little bit of hard work slipped in!)

There are 3 members of staff in Year One; Miss O'Mara and Mrs Webber are the teachers and Miss Bidgood offers further support to the children in their learning in certain subjects. Miss O'Mara will be in school Monday, Tuesday and on some Wednesdays; Mrs Webber will be teaching on the other Wednesdays, Thursday and Friday.

The following notices are to make the transition into Year 1 more comfortable for your child:



Your child will be provided with two reading books to take home each week. The first is their Guided Reading book, which is tailored to the Phonics learning. They will have been reading this book with adult-support and with their peers all week. They will want to read it to you and show off just how well they know it from their lessons in school! The second book hopes to expand their reading knowledge and ability. We will occasionally listen to them read this book and change according to their developing ability in Reading but we will change this reading book on a weekly basis if it has been completed at home. Reading awards will still be taking place, we encourage you to read three times a week with your child to help them get their award. Please ensure both reading books and diary are in school each day. The Guided Reading book will be changed every Friday.

Please refrain from putting drinks in your child's book bags. Soggy books often need to be replaced and will be chargeable.



Our PE days are on a **Wednesday** and **Friday** children are to come to school wearing full PE kit on these days.

Attached to this letter, please find a **food tasting consent form**. It is very important for us to provide your child with a broad and balanced curriculum, where food tasting and preparation enhances that. It is also very important for us to know about any dietary requirements or food allergies your child may have. Please dojo this information to us with any **medical conditions** or things you think we should know to ensure that your child has a safe and enjoyable time in school. If anything such as this crops up during the year, you are very welcome to come and talk to us or send a message via Dojo.





Topic

You will have the opportunity to access Knowledge Organisers at the beginning of each topic, via Dojo. On there, is information that they would find useful, such as new vocabulary and their meanings and fun facts about the subject. Please take time to go through these with your child to support their learning in the topics at home.

During our topic, Where My Wellies Take Me, we may take children out for a walk in the village to see local amenities/shops etc. An appropriate number of adults will accompany us to ensure safety etc.

Homework

On a Friday, homework will be set linked mostly to the English or Maths the children have learnt that week. Please support your child in completing their homework by explaining the task and ensuring they hand it in on time. We place a homework collection box on the carpet Monday-Wednesday. We ask that homework is handed in on Wednesday at the latest.

In addition to homework, we ask that you help your child to be familiar with the sounds and words learnt in Year One. We have attached a full list of these words from Years 1 and 2 to this letter. Please keep this document and perhaps display it somewhere for your child to see. These words are very important for the children to learn - they need to know how to spell and read these words, as they will be frequently using them in their own writing and when they read. We will keep you up to date on new sounds learnt during Phonics.



Dojo

We use Dojo for sharing any school and class information you may need. We will also post on our Year One page pictures of our day and things that the children are learning so that you can see and reinforce at home. You can also message any of the Year One team if you have any questions, worries or concerns.



Thank you very much for taking the time to read this. Hopefully, the information provided will ensure for a smooth transition. Any questions, do ask.

Miss O'Mara and Mrs Webber

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Year 2

door	gold	plant	clothes
floor	hold	path	busy
poor	told	bath	people
because	every	hour	water
find	great	move	again
kind	break	prove	half
mind	steak	improve	money
behind	pretty	sure	Mr
child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
children	after	eye	parents
wild	fast	could	Christmas
climb	last	should	everybody
most	past	would	even
only	father	who	
both	class	whole	
old	grass	any	
cold	pass	many	



Please return this slip to school as soon as possible....

Food Tasting Consent

I give consent for my child to taste and prepare food during their time in Year 1.

Child's name: _____ Signed: _____

My child has the following dietary requirements/food allergies:

Please use the space below to inform us of any other information you would like us to know about your child.