



Year 1 Newsletter – Autumn 1

Welcome

Welcome to Year 1! We hope that you all had a wonderful summer and are excited to be starting in Year 1. We have got lots of exciting things planned for this year.

Phonics and Reading

Phonics

Following the Little Wandle Phonics scheme the children will be start on phase 3,4 and 5 sounds learning new digraphs, trigraphs and tricky words. The children will also be continuing to segment and blend and read words.

Recommended reads for year 1: [Best Books for Year 1: Recommended Booklist for Ages 5-6 \(booksfortopics.com\)](http://booksfortopics.com)



Writing

This term we will be focusing on developing sentence writing to build on the children's skills from Reception. We will be using traditional fairy tales as our texts this term. We will be looking at understanding stories and using adjectives in our writing.



Maths

This term's units will include place value within 10 and addition and subtraction within 10. We will be sorting, grouping, and classifying objects and using the language of equal to, more than, less than (fewer), most, least.



Science

The children are learning about seasonal changes in science. We are learning different weather types, and which are typical for each season. We will be learning the months of the year and which months are in which season.



Computing

In computing this term, the children will be learning to log onto the laptops and exploring some of the tools and functions of Purple Mash.



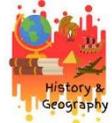
DT

This term in DT we will be making a phonics matching slider game. Children will learn how to plan, design, construct and evaluate their sliders over the term.



Geography

In geography we will start by creating maps of the classroom and the playground. We will look at how to use a key and a simple compass on a map and have a go at adding our own onto our maps.



Music

In music this term we will be exploring keeping the pulse together through music and movement.



PE

PE days this term will be Tuesday and Wednesday. We will be focused on fundamental movement skills and team building games.

Children should come to school in their school PE kit on these days - black joggers/leggings and black sweatshirt or school jumper.

Earrings to be removed before school and hair to be worn up.



PSHE

In PSHE this term the children will be reminded about the Zones of Regulation which is an approach that helps children to manage difficult emotions. They will learn to recognise different emotions. It helps children to recognise strong feelings and gives them strategies to cope with these feelings so they can get back to feeling calm and ready to learn.



RE

Our topic in RE is 'People in Christianity'. We will discuss what it means to be inspiring and who the children find inspiring in their lives. We will then explore who Jesus is and discuss the question 'What did Jesus do that inspired people?'



Enrichment

This term we will be walking around the local area as part of our geography learning. We will be thoroughly exploring the school grounds too.



Homework Project

We will be keeping you up to date on Dojo and sending home phonics spellings for the week.



We will also be sending the children home with a reading book as in Reception and reading these in school. We need to assess the children after the holidays to determine the best reading book for them and we will make sure all the children have their first reading book by Friday 12th September.

SCHOOL VALUES

RESPECT

 **FOR OURSELVES**

FOR OTHERS 

 **FOR OUR ACADEMY**

SCHOOL VALUES

RESILIENCE

 **BELIEVE IN OURSELVES**

CHALLENGE OURSELVES 

 **LEARN FROM OUR MISTAKES**

SCHOOL VALUES

RESPONSIBILITY

 **FOR OUR WORDS**

FOR OUR ACTIONS 

 **FOR OUR ACADEMY**

Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude.



Class information

Bluebell Class Teacher: Miss Ilko
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Dahlias Class Teacher: Mrs Bowden
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Supported by:

Miss Stocker (Bluebells)
Mrs O'Donovan (Dahlias)

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

Dates for the diary!



Autumn 1

- Monday 1st September - INSET Day
- Tuesday 2nd September - INSET Day
- Wednesday 3rd September - Autumn 1 Year Group Newsletters and Timetables
- Monday 8th September - Reception children start - am and lunch only
- Monday 15th September - Reception children start full time
- Thursday 25th September - Reception Parents' Phonics Session - 2.30pm
- Thursday 2nd October - Harvest Festival
- Thursday 2nd October - Book & Biscuit session - 2.40pm
- Tuesday 7th October - School Photos (individual & siblings)
- Tuesday 7th October - Potential Reception intake evening for 2026 - 2pm
- Thursday 9th October - Potential Reception intake evening for 2026 - 5pm
- Friday 10th October - World Mental Health Day - wear green / yellow
- Tuesday 14th October - Parents' Evening - 3.30pm - 6pm
- Wednesday 15th October - Parents' Evening - 3.30pm - 6pm
- Friday 17th October - Y3/Y4 Bikeability training (one day)
- Thursday 23rd October - Halloween Disco (Reception/KS1/KS2)
- Friday 24th October - Autumn 2 Year Group Newsletters and Timetables
- Friday 24th October - school closes to pupils for Half Term

