

Homework Handed out on a Monday- Hand in on a Friday

Each week children will receive

- Spellings - 10 phonic words to learn to read and spell.
- 5 Key words to read and spell with a handwriting activity to complete.
- Mental Math to learn.
- Mental Math supporting activity.

Children will have a test of 10 words. This test will be made up of the 5 keywords and 5 words picked from the 10 phonics words.

Mental Math and spelling test is each Friday morning.

Those children who do not hand in their homework, will attend homework club during break time on Monday morning. Please see the front of the homework book for more detailed explanation on homework. However, if you have any problems or would like further explanation on homework please don't hesitate to come and see me and I will be happy to

P.E.

Class SG will take part in PE on a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon **It is essential that all PE kit has you child's name clearly labelled and is in school for every lesson.** All hair should be tied back for PE lessons and hairbands should be removed. No watches or jewellery can be worn for PE, they must be removed. Children can bring black or grey joggers/ leggings as some sessions will be outdoors.

Library

We visit library on a fortnightly basis. Your child can keep their book for two weeks. When they have read the book they can return it to school and put it in the library book box.

Water bottles are to be brought into school and **labelled with your child's name.** The children can drink their **water** during the school day as being hydrated aids a child's concentration. **We have new water fountains in school which can only be used with a water bottle.** **Water bottles can be purchased from the office for 50p.**

Medical

If your child needs any medication e.g. inhalers can they be brought in to school as soon as possible. They can be stored safely and kept in school at all times. Please make sure you have another set to keep at home.



Welcome to Year 1 Class SG

Autumn 2016 Newsletter

Welcome to Year 1

My name is Miss Hurst and I am the Class Teacher in Year 1. Our class Teaching Assistant is called Miss Bullerwell. I hope you have had a lovely time over the summer and I am sure you are now ready to start the new school year, so welcome to Year 1! I am looking forward to getting to know you and working together so that we have a very exciting and productive year. I hope that you enjoy the new challenges and approaches to learning that Year 1 has to offer!

Transition from Reception to Year 1

Our aim is to ensure that the children experience a smooth transition from the Foundation Stage to Key Stage One. The Year 1 curriculum builds upon and extends the experiences that children have had in Reception. Learning through play will continue to be an important part of the school day, and the children will gradually be eased into more formal learning as the year goes on so that they remain motivated, enthused and eager learners. Please don't hesitate to come and see me after school if you have any questions or queries, I dedicate morning to setting up for the day ahead.

During Autumn 1 we will be learning about the past. The name of our topic is Now and Then (Victorian era) We will be learning facts about Queen Victoria and what happened during her time as Queen. We will be learning about toys, school life, Victorian art and inventions. We will also be comparing the changes in history.

Typical day in Year 1

8.55-9.10— line up / Wake up dance (weather dependent)

9.10-9.15 —Register

9.15-9.45 —Phonics

9.45-10.30— English

10.30-10.45 —Assembly

10.45-11.00 —Playtime

11.00-12.00 — Maths

12.00-1.00 — Lunchtime

1.00-2.00 —Topic/PE/Music/RE/Science/PSHE/Computing

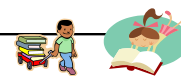
2.00-2.15—Playtime

2.15-2.45—Topic/PE/Music/RE/Science/PSHE/Computing

2.45-3.10—Big Book—key word recognition, Key word flashcards, comprehension

3.15— Home time

Uniform—Children are to wear a red cardigan or jumper on top of a white shirt or polo shirt. Trousers, skirts and pinafores are to be grey or black. Girls may wear red and white checked dresses and boys may wear grey or black shorts in warmer weather. Shoes or boots must be black. Please note that trainers are not an acceptable part of our school uniform. All clothing and shoes MUST be labelled with your child's name please.



Reading folder

Your child has their own folder. **It is essential that this is in school every day.**

Yellow Reading Record—Please comment on your child's reading every time you read.

Red communication booklet—Please send us any messages or questions you have.

Reading books These will be changed on a **Monday** and **Thursday**. We value your comments about your child's reading. Please write any comments in the home/school communication book, feel free to let us know any books your child is reading alongside their school reading book. Books can be changed when an adult has commented in the home/school book and according to your child's progress with their book.

Key words—please see the **front** of the red communication booklet for information about key words. Progress will be highlighted termly. We encourage you to continually practise reading and spelling of these keywords.

Autumn— Yellow

Spring—Orange

Summer—Green

Space Math—Please see the **front** of the red communication booklet for your child's planet objective sheet.

Social Media

Our aim is to develop positive relationships and work in partnership with parents for the benefit of our pupils. We're committed to providing the very best for all pupils to enable them to develop both socially and academically. We acknowledge that there are times where parents may have concerns or worries and **will always work with you to resolve them.**

Social media is defined as any kind of tool that is used for sharing information, including blogs, photo sharing, Facebook, Twitter, mobile phone applications, texting and other programmes that give others access to your views and opinions. Sadly social media websites are being used inappropriately, however we welcome all constructive feedback and strive to build strong and productive links with families in our school community. The use of social media is not a helpful way to deal with concerns or complaints that you may have. Therefore we ask that any concerns you may have are made through the appropriate channels of speaking to us (Class teachers) or Mr Firth the Head teacher so they can be dealt with fairly and appropriately. Therefore we remind you of our open door policy and look forward to working with you this year.