

### Class information

#### P.E. days

PE is on a Thursday morning, we do ask that all children have their kit in school at all times, this will be returned to you at the end of the half term.

PE Kit is a Black shorts or joggers in colder months, white t-shirt and black pumps.

#### Reading Books

Reading books will be changed once each week. Please read with your child daily and write a comment in their reading diary.

### Forest School

Please ensure that your child brings appropriate clothing to change into. Clothing is likely to get muddy so please do not send 'best' clothes.

Your child will need to bring with them on Forest School Days:

Trouser (NO Shorts)

T-Shirts (Long sleeved if available)

Jumper

Waterproof trousers (These can be borrowed from school)

Socks

Coat

Wellingtons/ Water proof footwear

Hat/Scarf/gloves (in cooler months)

Extra layers e.g. vest/thermals when colder weather.

### Useful websites

[www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk)

[www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks1bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks1bitesize)



## Curriculum Letter Year 1

### Dates for your diary

P.E—Every Thursday

Parents Evening 6th & 8th November

Christmas Nativity—18th December 2018

Forest School—A further letter will be sent with key dates

### A note from the year 1 team

Please continue to encourage your child with their reading and phonics work. Children are awarded points for reading each night. For those children who collect a certain number of reading points there is an end of term treat!

### Homework

Children in Year 1 will begin to bring homework home on a Friday. This will focus on 'Handwriting' to begin with. Homework is expected back in school on a Wednesday.

### Maths

This term the following topics will be taught: place value, addition and subtraction, division, fractions, time and position/direction.

The children will continue to concentrate on learning number bonds to 20 and being able to use a hundred square. Fraction work will be linked to telling the time to the nearest 15 minute interval. This will also link in with work on position and direction.

### Key maths vocabulary

Add, subtract, take away, plus, minus, addition, tens, ones, one more, one less, quarter, half, quarter past, quarter to, half past, o'clock, forwards, backwards, left, right, quarter turn, half turn, full turn.

### Writing

The children will be introduced to a number of different writing skills as they build on prior learning from Reception in the upcoming weeks.

During our lessons, we will be focusing on a number of stories, some of which will include: 'Aliens in underpants save the world' by Claire Freedman and 'Man on the moon (A day in life of Bob)' by Simon Bartram.

Phonics is a key focus in Year 1 and the children will be having daily phonics sessions focusing on an individual sound through our Read, Write Inc scheme.

### Topic

This half term, we'll travel through space to learn about the Solar System. We'll investigate an alien crash site, write an incident report and try to find the aliens who have landed. Where could they be? We'll make models of the Solar System and design spaceships, space buggies and space-related toys. Books and photographs will help us to learn about the first lunar landing and the astronauts who venture into space.

Floor robots will be programmed to move around an alien landscape, and we will compose space sounds and dances. We'll also explore satellite images, investigate rockets and use ICT to communicate our ideas and present our work.

### P.E.

During PE this half term, the focus will be on throwing/catching/aiming games.

### ICT

ICT will be incorporated into all aspects of the curriculum where applicable in order to aid cross curricular learning. Programmable floor robots will be used for children to begin learning how to program a sequence of events together.

### Art

We will be focusing on developing the children's art skills by experimenting with a selection of media.