



Welcome to Year 1

Educational visits

To enhance children's learning children will be invited to join trips to:

Term	Date	Destination	Approximate cost	Additional information
Autumn term	November	British Wildlife centre	tbc	Parent helpers
Spring term	March	Natural history museum	tbc	Parent helpers
Summer term	May/June	Space workshop in school	tbc	

Parents' evening

Autumn- Tuesday 16th October 2018 (2pm-8pm).

Spring- Tuesday 26th March 2018 (2pm-8pm)

Please remember we value parent helpers in school and on school trips, but you need to have a DBS check completed. Please see the school office if you would like to complete a DBS check. Some minor changes to these dates may occur, although we will try and maintain this timetable where possible.

Helping your class teacher

The school always needs parents support. If you would like to help out in school please speak to your child's class teacher. We would be grateful if parent helpers were available to help in other classes/year groups other than their child's if an opportunity came up; if this is something you are interested in please let your class teacher know.

We would be extremely grateful of any donations of boxes of tissues, especially in this cold term. The school has a new initiative for attendance. The class that gets above 96% most often will receive a reward. Each class in Year 1 are especially keen to receive this reward. Please help us do so. Thank you.

Finally, the children have made a good start to Year 1. We are excited to watch your child grow throughout the year and appreciate your support.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to come and see your class teacher or a member of the year 1 team.

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Welcome to a fun filled year in Year 1. This booklet will give you all the general information you need to know about Year 1. If you have any questions please ask your child's class teacher.

Your Child's Teacher and TA.

Class	Teacher	TA
Nightingales	Miss Walton	Mrs Carnevale-Jones, Mrs Bassett
Woodpeckers	Mrs Blackhall	Mrs Maddock, Mrs Messenger
Wrens	Miss Leitch	Mrs Byfield, Mrs Murase

The classroom is extremely busy in the morning if you need to speak to your child's class teacher, please see them after school or give a message to a member of the Year 1 team, on the door in the morning. The member of staff will ensure your child's teacher gets the message.

Curriculum

During Year 1, children transition from the Early Years curriculum (where children work in small groups) to the National Curriculum (where children work as a whole class.) Some children can find this transition quite tiring. Please ensure your child has an early bedtime, so they are ready for the next school day. The transition is

introduced slowly over a period of time. Your child's class teacher will take into account the needs of the class when introducing any changes.

Curriculum Overview

Children will cover a range of topics throughout the year. Through these topics children will learn all areas of the curriculum.

	Cornerstones topic/English
Autumn 1	Memory Box
Autumn 2	Enchanted woodland
Spring 1	Superheroes
Spring 2	Dinosaurs
Summer 1	Moon zoom
Summer 2	Rio de Vida

PE

In PE your child should have a gold Devonshire PE t-shirt, blue shorts and black plimsolls. In cold weather children are allowed to wear black jogging bottoms. Children are not allowed to wear tights. Any earrings should be taken out, due to health and safety.

	Days of PE Lesson
Nightingales	Monday (indoor) Thursday (outdoor).
Woodpeckers	Tuesday (outdoor) Thursday (indoor).
Wrens	Monday (outdoor) Thursday (indoor).

Homework

Please read with your child every night, even if your child has the same book and sign the reading record. Children who read at home regularly make more progress. Throughout Year 1 children receive a range of different homework including phonics, keywords, maths, handwriting, comprehension, topic and of course, reading. During the first half of Autumn term there is a focus on reading. Children will receive other homework but not on a weekly basis. Later on in the year children will regularly receive more homework.

Uniform

It has been lovely to see the children come back looking so smart in their uniform. Please continue to support us in ensuring your child is coming to school in the correct uniform, shoes and bag. Also on those rainy, cold or hard to judge days please make sure your child has a suitable coat or jacket. It is very helpful if all items are named, so all items can be returned, as you can imagine year 1 children often mislay items of clothing. As a quick reminder winter uniform begins in the second half of autumn term.