



Year 1 Summer Term Newsletter



Trips

For our Childhood Promise trip, Year 1 will be visiting Black Park. This will be a great opportunity for our children to explore large open spaces in the local area. Black Park is a magical place where children can explore the woods and experience **miles of beautiful woodland tracks and trails, with opportunities for wildlife spotting.**



In July, we will be walking to Barra Hall Park as part of our ongoing learning about Seasonal Changes. We will be looking at what happens to plants, animals and the weather in Summer and compare this to the other seasons.



Upcoming Events

Childhood Promise trip to Black Park

Friday 21st June 2024

Walk to Barra Hall Park- Monday 1st July

Trips to FSC Amersham

Thursday 4th July- 1RM

Tuesday 9th July- 1LF

Wednesday 10th July- 1MT

Thursday 11th July- 1BC

Friday 12th July- 1ML

Each class have a date allocated to them.

Class assemblies

Term Dates

Summer 1 Term starts – Monday 15th April

Half term break.

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024



Phonics Screening

All year 1 children will be sitting their phonics screen the week beginning **Monday 10th June 2024**

Please continue to practise sounding out and blending words when reading and use the helping at home phonics resources on the school website <https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/literacy.html>



Scan this QR code for phonics games.

In the summer term we will be studying:

- Maths - Number, Geometry, and Calculation
- English – The Lighthouse Keeper’s Lunch (**Story and activities on Google Classroom**), The Gingerbread Man, Poetry
- Geography- UK and the Continents
- History- The history of Hayes.
- RE- Hinduism and Our Community
- Science- Materials, Plants and Seasonal changes
- PSHE- Relationships

Handwriting

Handwriting is still a big focus in Year 1. The children should be beginning to use the joins on their letters for them to eventually start joining their letters together. Please encourage the children to do this in their homework or any other writing they do at home.



Homework

Thank you again for all the effort you have put in to helping your child with their homework. Maths and English homework is handed out on a Thursday and needs to be returned no later than the following Tuesday.

The homework that we set will be focused on what we have learnt in class so it is important that your child completes this each week.

At Parents Day, you were given strategies that we teach in school that can be used to support your child to complete their homework.

Thank you again for all your support.

Spelling

Each term, all year 1 children are given a copy of the spelling words they will be taught and tested on, weekly.

Year 1 Spelling Overview - Summer 1

Statutory learning focus	Suggested common exception word list				
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
aw and au digraphs	ear, air, and are trigraphs with /ear/ sound	New consonant spellings ph and wh	Words ending -y and the e-i split digraphs making /i/ sound	Exception words list	Adding the prefix -un
				Some of these words' grapheme and phoneme correspondence (GPC) do and some do not fit with prior learning.	
saw draw law yawn crawl author August dinosaur astronaut sauce	bear pear wear dare bare care share scared air chair	dolphin alphabet phonics elephant phone when where which wheel while	very happy funny party family these theme complete even delete	my come here there some where up one mum had all can	unhappy undo unload unfair unlock unwell unable unplug unkind unsafe

Spelling patterns are taught on Monday each week and the test will be on Friday. Each week there is a different spelling pattern that is based on either phonics, tricky words or words they use on a regular basis e.g days of the week.

A quiz based on each week's spelling list/pattern is uploaded weekly on Google Classroom. Please help your child to log in and complete the quizzes weekly.

Attendance

Thank you for all your efforts this year to ensure that your children are in school each day. Coming up to summer, it is just as important that children are in school every day to continue their learning. The learning that we are doing now is to help prepare them for Year 2.

We want all children to feel confident when they start Year 2 and being in school each day plays an important part in achieving this.



Uniform & Water Bottles

Thank you for keeping our Year 1 children looking so smart this year! We would love to see this continued into the summer term. Please remember that tracksuits will not be part of the PE uniform in the summer term due to warmer weather.

Every child should now be coming into school with a water bottle to help them stay hydrated during the day and a hat to protect them from direct sunlight.

Reading

Children should be reading for ten minutes every night at least 5 times a week. If you could sign their reading record after reading with them so your child's class teacher has a record.

Reading records are checked weekly by an adult in your child's classroom.

It is very important that children get as much practise reading as possible before they sit their assessments ready for Year 2.

Reports

Year 1 children will receive their end of year report in the last few weeks of the academic year.

