

# AUTUMN 1 NEWSLETTER



# YEAR 1

## Autumn 1

### Welcome

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our parents and children to Year 1. We hope to have a great start to the academic year. The Year 1 team are very excited and can't wait begin this learning journey with you! **Our welcome meeting will be held on Thursday 12th September 2024 at 3.30pm in the KS2 Hall.**

### Meet the Team

**Vice Principal - Mrs Mohamed**

**Team Leader - Miss Rama - 1 JR**

Mrs Khaliq - 1SK

Mrs Ferrari - 1LF

Mrs Mohamed and Ms Din - 1MD

### Support Staff

**Mrs Mason - HLTA**

Mrs Wallymahmed

Mrs Sood

Mrs Cheema

Mrs Bondili

Mrs Kiani

### What we are learning

English

Stories, Seasonal poetry, instructional writing and letters

Maths

Number skills. Recognising 2D and 3D shapes

Science

Animals including humans

History

Toys from the past

RE

My community

### Attendance

We expect every child to come to school every day to maximise learning opportunities and to help develop their life skills. We therefore we expect 100% attendance from each Year 1 child. This is to ensure children do not have gaps in any aspects of their learning.

Attendance is checked daily and if any of the year 1 classes has had 100% for the week, then all the children in that class will be rewarded with a non-school uniform day and extra play time.

### Attendance Challenge

In Year 1, we expect 100% attendance from each child. The attendance is checked daily, classes that have 100% attendance each day will be rewarded with a golden star. Each star is worth 5 minutes. The class can collect their stars to earn a longer play or even movie time.



### Homework

A reminder that all children are expected to complete all homework given each week.

**Homework will go out on Thursday and be returned the following Tuesday.** Weekly spellings from the Year 1 Statutory Spellings List will also be give out weekly for children to learn. There will be weekly spelling tests and certificates will be given for 10/10 scores.

### Google Classroom

Please ensure your child is signed up to and has access to Google Classroom so they can complete their weekly non-core quizzes, spellings and weekly comprehensions. It is really important all children are accessing this on a weekly basis. If you are unsure about how to access Google Classroom, please speak to your child's class teacher.

### Daily Reading

All children will be given a reading book every Monday and to read it during the course of the week. Books will be collected on Friday. Please make time to read with your child then sign their reading record after reading with them so the class teacher knows that your child is reading at home. Reading records will be checked daily by the teacher. Should you need any help or strategies, please speak to your child's class teacher who will be happy to help.

### Reading Challenge

We are pleased to announce the re-launch of the Reading Challenge at WEPA. The purpose of the reading challenge is to allow children to be exposed to a range of different texts but also to develop a love for reading.

#### Recommended Texts:

- 30 recommended texts for each age group.
- All books are available in classrooms or at Hayes End Library.
- Chosen for their suitability and potential to inspire awe and wonder.

### Star Reader Award

In year 1 we are completing a star reader scheme to encourage children to read a range of different genres.

This will expose our emergent readers to a range of text types e.g. poetry, fairy-tales, newspaper articles and short stories just to name a few.

Read **5 Books** and receive a **Bronze certificate**.

Read **12 books** and receive a **Silver Certificate**.

Read **20 books** and receive a **Gold Certificate**.

Ask your child's teacher for more information and a booklet!

### Uniform

Children are expected to wear school uniform at all times at Wood End Park Academy.

#### Girls:

- Black or dark grey trousers or skirt
- Blazer or dark blue jumper or cardigan with the school logo
- White shirt
- Blue checked dress or black pinafore
- Black, grey or white socks/tights
- Plain black footwear
- Hijabs or hair accessories must be in black, grey, dark blue or white

#### Boys:

- Black or dark grey trousers
- Blazer or dark blue jumper with school logo
- White shirt
- Black, grey or white socks
- Plain black footwear

