

Year One News

Year 1 Class Newsletter. Autumn Term 2026



Welcome back to school and to Year One ! We have had a great start to the term and the children have settled well into the new routines. If you have any concerns or questions please pop in to see me at school or contact the office to arrange an appointment. I look forward to working with you and your child this year ! Mrs Wilkinson



Meet the Year One Team

We are lucky to have a number of adults working in different roles within Y1 this year:

Mrs J Wilkinson – Class Teacher
Mrs J Regnart – Learning Support Assistant
Mrs A Blakeney - HLTA teaching Music, History and Geography
Ms L Steele – HLTA – teaching Art /DT and RE

All the members of the team work closely together to ensure your child receives a rich and varied curriculum, pastoral care and

Attendance Matters

School attendance target is 96%

Year 1 pupils will receive a privilege for weekly attendance of 100%

Learning

- Our learning topic for this half term is 'Transport', with a History focus on George Stephenson and trains. In Autumn 2 the topic is 'My World and Me' with a focus on our senses in Science and our local area in Geography.
- We will be going on a class trip to support this learning ! More news to follow.
- We will be also be learning how to login in to the school laptops, making models of trains and thinking about what it means to belong.
- In English we will use the following texts to continue to build our reading and writing skills:

The Three Little Pigs

The Train Ride

The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark

The Elves and the Shoemaker

- Mastering number will continue to reinforce understanding of number concepts using 1-10.

How to help at home.

- Daily reading and sharing stories with your child – ask questions about what they are reading, play word games and spot rhyming words. Return reading folders to school EVERY DAY.
- Play games involving numbers – dice and domino games are great for this!
- Encourage the children to become more independent, for example carrying their own bags to school.
- Support your child to complete their online homework tasks regularly.
- Send a bottle of water to school with your child.

Homework

Reading - In Year One all children will be expected to read daily with an adult at home and the Reading Record signed by an adult. Children will be rewarded for any reading completed at home with house points, stickers and certificates. Children should bring their reading folder to school every day even if they have not had time to read.

Spellings – In Year One all children will be expected to practise spellings at home. Ideas and tips to support your child at home with spellings will be attached to the word list.

Google Classroom – The use of Tapestry will be phased out and replaced with Google Classroom in line with the rest of the school. Google Classroom will be used for additional weekly homework tasks and communication between home and school. Details of how to log on will be issued at a later date.

Polite reminders

- No ear rings/ jewellery or nail varnish to be worn at school please.
- PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday – please provide PE kit as per school uniform policy. This will be kept in school on Monday and sent home on Friday.
- Please label all belongings with your child's name to assist with returning lost items.
- Please do not use mobile phones anywhere on the school site.
- Please ensure collection details and contact numbers are updated.