

I am kind
I am smart.
I am magical
I am me!
I am capable,
I am confident
in my abilities.
I CAN DO IT!
I know I can...
If I just believe.
I'll keep working hard and
keep trying to be the
best version of me.



Year 1
Summer Term



Dear Parents

This term we will be getting the children ready for the National Phonic Screen which will take place week commencing 9th June. All children must be in school that week. Please continue to practice the sounds with your child as often as possible. Children need to be able to read set 2 and 3 sounds confidently.

We hope that by working together we can make this term a happy and successful one for your child, offering them interesting and challenging activities and experiences ensuring that they make the best possible progress.

We will also be getting ready for a move into Year 2!

Thank you for your continued support at home with homework, spellings and reading and reminding your child of our school and classroom rules. **Please continue to check and empty your child's reading folders daily, some are very full with drawings and letters to be kept at home.**

Many thanks

Miss Penaluna and Mrs Watson

REMINDERS

Start of the day - Please arrive on time for the doors opening at 8.40am for a 8.45am start. At this time we will be doing handwriting/spelling activities then splitting into our phonic groups. It is very important that children do not miss these sessions.

End of the day - School finishes at 3.10pm, please be prompt when collecting your child and we will do our best to ensure they are ready on time. Children in year 1 must be collected by someone over 16.

Uniform - School uniform must be worn everyday. Please make sure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name. Now that the weather is getting warmer your child can bring a sun hat to school. On hot sunny days please apply an all day sun cream before school or send a labelled bottle in for your child to put on themselves when needed.

Reading - Reading folders will be sent home daily. We ask that each child reads some of their book every night at home and this is recorded in their yellow reading record. Please ensure that your child's book folder is in school each day to allow members of staff to hear your child read. Reading is an important part of the curriculum and therefore we encourage you to spend time reading with your child. Please also practice the Read Write Inc sounds and common exception words and any additional books sent home in their RWI homework pack.

PE - Every Thursday we have our PE lesson. P.E. kits are provided in school which they change into for each lesson. Children need to bring in their own trainers or sandshoes to wear for these lessons.

Homework - Children will receive homework and spellings on a Friday. Homework books to be returned on a Thursday, spelling challenge will be on a Friday.

Toys and school equipment: We discourage children bringing toys in from home as it can cause distress and disagreements. For health and safety reasons, please do not allow your children to play on or get out school equipment before and after school.

Our learning this term

English	We will be reading Hand'as Surprise, the children will discuss and rewrite the story. Next half term we will be looking at the story Oi! Get off our Train and looking at adjectives to describe the journey. We will continue to practice common exception words as our spellings, that the children must be able to read and spell by the end of year 1.
Maths	We will be focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, by the end of the first summer term children will be able to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will also look at division and sharing.
Science	We are investigating plants this term. We will be learning how to plant a seed and care for it. Identify the basic structure of a plant and learn how to identify a variety of common wild and garden plants.
ICT	We will be using ICT to take pictures and videos and learning how to upload them to our Dojo portfolios. We will also be looking at how to use the internet safely when researching information.
Geography	We will be looking at hot and cold climates around the world following on from our story in English, Handa's Surprise and comparing hot and cold places from different parts of the world.
Art / DT	In Art we will be looking at the work of Van Gogh. In DT we will be visiting the Invention Shed to make our own trains.
Music	This term children will be starting to learn how to play an instrument. Mrs Sinclair also teaches singing once a week.
P.E.	This term we will be working with our PE coach to focus on Athletics.
R.E.	We will be learning about Christianity and the Bible, teaching the bible stories and understanding the concepts and characters.
PSHE	In PSHE we will be learning about what we can do with money, how we can make, save and spend money. We will also discuss looking after each other, the environment and the world.
History	During history lessons we will be exploring the life of George Stephenson and looking at transport through time.