



# Welcome to Year One

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Welcome to Year One! We hope you have had a fun filled summer holiday! We have lots to learn this year and this is a brief overview of how Year One works and what we will be learning this term.

Quick reminders -

- All uniform and children's belongings need to be clearly labelled.
- All children need to bring a water bottle every day. Water only please! Children will not need to bring in their own snack from home as there is always fruit in school. Please can we remind you that we are a nut free school.
- For your information, lunch choices are now made by the children during registration time. A copy of the menu will be displayed on the classroom door and on the school website if you wish to discuss meal choices with your child before school.
- Children cannot bring toys into class as we do not do show and tell. If there are special reasons (e.g. related to topic) please see teacher.
- Book bags need to be able to fit in their drawers please.

### **Reading and Spelling**

As in Reception your child will be given a set day to have their books changed. Children will also regularly read in a group or individually with an adult. Reading at home is expected to happen **AT LEAST 5** times a week and be recorded in their yellow reading records. Every time your child reads at home and it is recorded in their reading records, they will receive a raffle ticket and are entered into our termly prize draw. Once a term, children will be sent home with a selection of tricky words to practice reading and spelling. We will also be learning a 'Poem of the Week' in class. If you would like a copy for your child to read at home, please let us know.

### **Maths**

We will be concentrating on place value until Christmas. By the end of Year One children need to be able to count and recognise numbers to 100 so place value is a fundamental part of this. This can be reinforced at home through use of number games and number recognition. We will also be having a weekly problem solving session to develop the children's independent thinking skills and questioning.

### **Theme**

For the first couple of weeks in September our theme will be 'London's Burning!' and we will be finding out about The Great Fire of London. We will then move onto 'Where in the World?' where children will be learning about China (Leopard Class) and Brazil (Tiger Class).

### **Home Learning**

This year the children will have the opportunity to complete some home learning. This term, they will be asked to complete a mini-project all about themselves which they can then share with their class. Please see separate home learning letter for more details.

### **P.E. and Forest Schools**

P.E will be on a **WEDNESDAY** and **FRIDAY**. PE kits need to be worn to school on PE days (week beginning 10/09/18).

In Year One, Forest School sessions do not happen weekly. However, the children will need to have waterproofs to keep in school so that we can enjoy Forest School sessions throughout the year. The waterproofs need to be clearly named and in a strong bag. We will send out a note to let you know in advance when we will be doing Forest Schools so the children can wear their 'messy clothes' to school that day. All children need to have a named pair of welly boots to keep in school.