



Welcome to Year 1!



Dearand Family,

I hope you have a lovely time over the summer and I am sure you will be very excited to start the new school year, so welcome to Year 1!

I am looking forward to getting to know you and working together so that we have a very exciting and productive year. I hope that you enjoy the new challenges and approaches to learning that Year 1 has to offer!

Transition from Reception to Year 1

Our aim is to ensure that the children experience a smooth transition from the Foundation Stage to Key Stage One. The Year 1 curriculum builds upon and extends the experiences that children have had in Reception. Learning through play will continue to be an important part of the school day, and the children will gradually be eased into more formal learning as the year goes on so that they remain motivated, enthused and eager learners. Please don't hesitate to come and see me either before or after school if you have any questions or queries.

Miss. Henderson

Letters and Sounds

Children in year 1 will have daily phonic inputs very much like the sessions that they have had in F2, these sessions are vital to their reading development. I have attached information to explain phonics in year 1 more clearly and will be holding a drop in session for parents about phonics and how to support your child.



Reading in Year 1...

Your child will be given a set reading book and a reading diary to bring home and read each week. They will be also given a letters and sounds book which will cover the sounds that we have learnt in the week to bring to school every day. The children will also have lots of opportunities to read and enjoy books throughout the week. Please take the time to read daily with your child and look over the sounds that we have learnt. Children whose parents read with them make much more progress and become very confident readers!

Homework

- Children will receive a short homework task on a Friday which should be completed and returned to school by the following Thursday. This is to show you what your child has been learning throughout the week, it is we ask that you support your child when they do their homework so that they develop positive attitudes toward their learning.
- Any letters or reply slips, which need to be returned, can be put in your child's book bag. .