

Class 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Class 1 have had a lovely first day. It has been so nice to meet everyone again and welcome you all to our school. The children have had lots of fun getting to know their new classmates and settle into their new school.

Over the next few weeks as part of the children's settling in activities, I will share some 'all about me' tasks for the children to complete at home. They will focus on the children sharing their favourite things, people in their family, things they like to do etc. The children always enjoy sharing their news and the things that are special to them so I am looking forward to finding out more about my new class.

I am busy setting up the children's Tapestry accounts and you should receive a Tapestry activation email soon. If you have any problems please let me know. We use Tapestry to record photos, observations and comments to build up a record of your child's experiences during their time with us. In order to establish effective home school links, you are also able to add observations and photographs of your own.

This year the government has introduced a new Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA). This is a practical activity that will be used to assess the children's early skills at the start of the school year. I have enclosed an information leaflet that will explain this in more detail.

We are also taking part in an initiative funded by the Department for Education in response to Covid-19. Our school has been offered access to a programme called Nuffield Early Language Intervention (NELI). Please can you read the information letter enclosed and complete and return the permission slip to school as soon as possible.

The other side of this newsletter will share some of the activities and topics we will be looking at this term. I am always here if you have any questions or concerns, but at the moment please contact school by telephone if there are any issues you need to discuss.

Thank you
From Miss Morgan

PE Day: Wednesday

Please can
children come
to school in
their PE kit.

Every day each
child has a piece
of fruit and a
drink of milk,
however when
your child turns
5 the milk is no
longer free. If
you would like
your child to
continue having
milk then a form
can be obtained
from our office.



Literacy

In phonics we will look at identifying the initial sounds in words and learn how to orally segment and blend words.

We will begin to learn the letter sounds. (Information about how you can support your child with this will be sent out later this term.)

We will sing songs and rhymes and retell stories we have listened to.

Mathematics

We will focus on the children's early number skills.

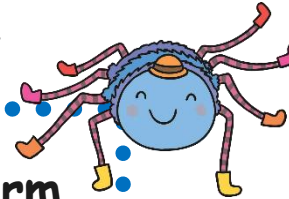
We will explore counting aloud using number songs and rhymes.

We will begin to develop their subitising skills (recognising small amounts without counting them).

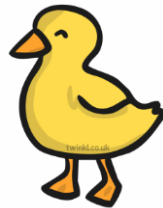
We will count objects and match the number to the quantity.

PSED

We will talk about the school rules and how they help us work together to have a happy school. We will look at sharing, making friends and being more independent.



This half term
our topics will
focus on:
All about me &
Rhyme Time
Rescue



Physical Development

We will be developing our gross and fine motor skills.

Hygiene - washing our hands / germs.

Communication and Language

We will learn how to be good listeners. We will listen to the story 'The Listening Walk'. We will investigate the different sounds we can hear around school.

Creative

We will draw pictures of ourselves. We will explore using and combining different materials to create pictures and models.

Understanding the World

The children will share the things that are special to them.

We will look at how our interests and likes are the same or different.

We will investigate the changes we can see in the outside area.