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# Year One Newsletter—Autumn 2023



Welcome to Year One! We hope you all had a restful break and ready for the new academic year. Through this

Newsletter and forthcoming ones, we hope to provide you with information to further assist your child's educational development. The children have settled in well with their new teachers and are following the classroom rules. To assist with the transition from Reception to Year 1, the children will still have time to play and the curriculum is creatively based. There will be a talk for you to find out more information on Tuesday

#### **Phonics**

The children will continue to develop their knowledge of phonics from Reception and will participate in a daily phonics lesson to help build on their knowledge of



sounds. This supports both their ability to read and write. There will be a Phonics experience coming up for the opportunity for you to see how the children learn during their phonics lessons.

## Reading

We cannot stress enough the importance of reading with, and to your child. To enable your child to develop further his/her reading skills it is essential to read with him/her for a short period each day. Please comment in the reading comment book every time you hear your child read. Remember our 'Reading Incentive Scheme' enables the children to receive reading rewards for their reading. Please refer to your child's Reading Record

<u>Please remember to return the children's Little Wandle book on a Monday.</u>

## <u>Spellings</u>

Book for the list of rewards.

To assist the spelling programme, the children will be bringing home some spellings each week to learn. The children will be tested each week on a Friday morning. These spellings will be called out in a random order in the test. The words will be located in their spelling folder. Please ensure your child learns these words and understands what these words mean. Have a go at putting them into sentences. The first set of spellings will go out on **Friday 29th September 2023.** 

Please provide your child with a 500ml water bottle with a sports cap daily and ensure that is has your child's name and class number on them.



### Topic Work

Our topic this half term is 'Childhood'. We will be discussing things we could do as a baby, toddler and what we are good at now. We will be discuss-



ing our families and homes as well as our five senses and how our bodies move.

We will also be looking at keeping healthy and oral hygiene during our Science lessons, as well as learning about the seasons Autumn and Winter. Through these topics, all areas of the National Curriculum will be covered. In addition to 'topic related experiences' the children will also be involved in other language and numeracy activities.

#### **Mathematics**

We follow the White Rose scheme in Year 1. This programme promotes embedding problem solving and whole class teaching but the emphasis is on a more practical approach. This will encourage the children to speak in a more confident mathematical manner and it will enhance their mathematical understanding. They will also be involved in further practical and recording exercises to ensure consolidation and extension. The children will be working on instant recall of all addition and subtraction facts to 20, shape recognition, sorting and classifying of shapes and measurement involving work on length and time. You can find some maths lessons using the link below:

Maths home learning | Home learning | White Rose Maths

Indoor PE will be on a Tuesday and outdoor PE on a Thursday each week. On these day's the children **should wear their PE kits to school**. (T-shirt, jogging bottoms, trainers. Earrings to be covered on these days).

### General Reminders

- Please ensure all clothes are named.
- If your child wears shoes with laces, please ensure they are able to do them up themselves.
- The only earrings worn in school should be small studs.
  These need to be covered for PE.
- No other form of jewellery should be worn.

#### Homework

Each Friday your child will take home some homework. Please return the homework folder on Wednesday.





Each week you can find our planning on our school website:

Year 1 Planning | Manor Infants Longbridge