

Welcome to Year 1

A guide for parents, carers & children



This booklet has been made by the Year 1 team to provide you with information about who we are, what we will be teaching your child and how you can help them at home. If there is anything that you want to ask or talk to us about then please get in touch and we will be happy to help.



The Year 1 Team



Miss Robertson



Mrs Harrison



Miss Mills



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Aims of Year 1



- To enjoy learning a broad and balanced curriculum
- To build on learning from Reception and Nursery.
- To ensure all children are becoming a confident and fluent reader
- To develop skills as independent learners in preparation for Year 2

How you can help your child in Year 1

The most important thing you can do to help your child to learn is to read with them at home regularly.

Try and read as much as possible (try and aim for 20 minutes) and record it in their reading records.

Spellings are given out weekly and are taught discretely in class each week, rather than for a test. You can help your child by familiarising them with the words.

There will be Maths homework set based upon what the children have been learning in school that week.

Encourage your child to complete their homework on time every week and to access online learning to support them further if they can: Numbots and/or Times Tables Rockstars.

Above all, focus on the positive and your child's own personal progress.



Times tables

The end of year, times tables expectation for Year 1 is for the children to be rapid at recalling all multiplication and division facts for their 2s, 5s and 10s.

Within Year 1's Math curriculum, the children will work on their times tables in school but it is important for them to practice at home too.

Which resources could help your child learning their times tables?

<https://ttrackstars.com/>

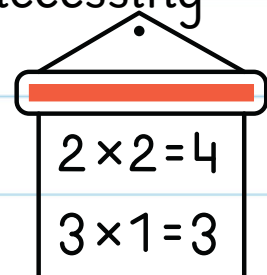
All children have a login for 'TTRS' and their use is monitored by staff. We expect all children to be accessing it regularly.

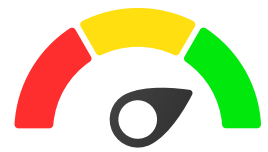
<https://numbots.com/>

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<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

This site has a range of interactive games for KS1 to help develop the pace of times tables recall.





EXPECTATIONS

Expectations

Year 1 is an important transitional year for children as they move to Upper KS1. Over the year, children become more independent learners in order to prepare them for them for Year 2 expectations. Year 1 are seen as great role models for those younger children in school, it is expected that they follow our school rules and show this at all times.

Year 1 pupils are expected to:

Read at home every night for 20 minutes in addition to reading for pleasure (A levelled reading book). Record evidence of this in their reading record with a signature from a parent / carer.

Complete weekly homework:

This is very important to develop children's responsibility and prepare them for the expectations of Year 2.

Attendance

Our school attendance target is 96% or above. Good attendance is crucial.

Poor attendance can have a huge impact on future life chances. 96% equates to 7 days off over the course of the year. It is very important that children arrive at school promptly!

The school day in Year 1



The school doors will be opened at 8:40am and are kept open until 9am.

Lunch orders are taken and registration takes place at 9am.

When they come in, children have the opportunity to enjoy a breakfast bagel and some quiet time reading.

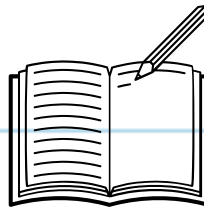
Morning break takes place at 10:15am - 10:30am.
Lunch takes place at 11:45pm. to 1:00 pm

Children finish school at 3:15pm. The children will be brought outside by their class teacher and be dismissed from the front of the school office.

Wider school life:

Year 1 children have opportunities to experience trips to Sacred Heart & St John Bosco R C Church, Beamish and Hylton Castle.

Year 1 learning



English

Reading to learn runs through every curriculum area in Year 1. We read every day in every lesson.

Punctuation and grammar are taught and practised within the curriculum.

Maths

Maths in Year 1 follows a concrete, pictorial, abstract model. Children will have access to a wide range of concrete resources to aid their understanding and explain their thinking.

Children will first focus on developing their fluency in number including place value, addition and subtraction, shape, before moving onto problem solving.

For more information about our curriculum, please visit the school website.

