

Welcome to Year 1

What happens in Year 1?

Welcome to Year 1. We have a wonderful team to help and support the children on their learning journey.

They are:

Ahlberg - Miss Mallon – Class teacher

Jeffers - Miss Muir -Class teacher

We are also very lucky to have our amazing Teaching assistants Mrs Smedmore, Miss England and Mrs Neil supporting across the two classes.

As children start in Year 1 and become more independent learners, we start to introduce more formal English and Maths Lesson in the mornings whilst they access Enhanced Provision learning in the afternoons. Here they will access a variety of weekly challenges to practise their skills in the foundation subject areas such as History, Geography, Art and Science.

This ensures the children have a good balance of formal teaching and opportunities for active and hands-on learning as they move along their learning journey.

We are already so proud of how well the children have settled into their new school routine, proving to us what a great year we are going to have together.

Reading

Children will read once a week with an adult in school. Their books will only be changed then as this allows the children to re-read books at home and develop fluency with the vocabulary to become confident readers. If you would like any support with reading please let your child's teacher know and we can send home some ideas to help you.

Once a week, children will spend time in the library and can choose a library book. Ahlberg's library day is Monday and Jeffers is Friday.

Curriculum

This term our topic is The Circus. The driver of the topic is art and history. We will be looking at the work of Mark Chagall and attempting to create our own circus themed art. We will also look at the differences between old and new toys and try and make some of our own.

Home Learning

Please share your child's reading book with them three times a week. It is really helpful to look at the common exception words in the front of their reading record too .

We also would like the children to play Numbots at least once a week.

You'll will find all the login details in your child's reading record once they are ready.

Our PE days are currently **Mondays**.

Forest School for Ahlberg is on a **Tuesday** and on a **Wednesday** for Jeffers. On these days, can we ask that children come into school without their earrings in.

Everyday children will need to bring a named water bottle and their reading book.

Please can you ensure the children's clothes are labelled so we can return them if they are lost.