

# Year 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

## WELCOME BACK TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

We hope you have all had a well-deserved Summer break and are ready for the year ahead. We are excited to welcome the children back to Year 1. We run an open door policy so please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any questions or concerns.

Year 1 Team

Mr Matt Wills - Assistant Headteacher/KS1 Lead /FARAH Class Teacher

Miss Wendy - Teaching Assistant

Miss Walters/Mrs Huseyin - BOLT Class Teacher

Miss Sharon - Teaching Assistant

## What we will be learning this term...

Theme: All about me!

English: Grammar, Punctuation and Vocabulary, Labels, lists and signs, Informal letters, Simple recounts

Maths: Addition, Subtraction, Money, Measures and Shape.

Computing: Simple Algorithms

Science: Seasonal Changes / Everyday materials

RE: Who am I? (Local church)

History: The History of me (toys of the past)

Geography: Routes around our school

DT: Simple toys

PHSE: New Beginnings/ Getting on and falling out

PE: Games

Music: Musical games

PE days

**FARAH CLASS - Monday/Thursday**

**BOLT CLASS - Wednesday**

PE uniform:

Please note the school has uniform on sale. Please write your child's name on all their clothing- it helps enormously if they get lost or mixed up with another child's clothes! Please note we are not responsible for any lost items of clothing, we teach children to take full responsibility with their possessions. If for any reason clothing is lost, we endeavour to help locate it but we do not replace uniform of any kind (please see our lost property policy)

## Home-Learning

We will be working very hard and your support at home is extremely important.

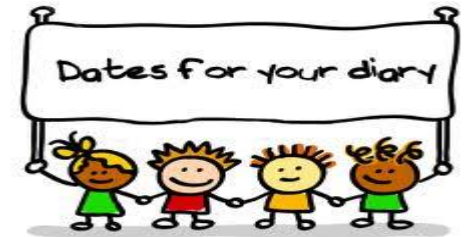
In an effort to continue to improve reading standards, your child's book will be changed once every week. Homework will go out every Friday and it is based on what the children have been learning in class. We ask that you help your child be as creative as possible with their homework. It also includes a list of words to be learnt over the week for testing on a Wednesday. Homework is **not optional** and **MUST** be handed back on a Wednesday. Homework handed in on a day after this will not be marked.



## Dates for your diary

V&A Museum of Childhood trip - to be confirmed

Target Day - to be confirmed



## Websites and resources to help you and your child

Your child will take the phonic screening check in June 2016. Please see the following website for more details.

<http://www.theschoolrun.com/year-1-phonics-screening-check>

We will be running a phonic workshop every Tuesday to help you learn the sound of the week alongside your child. It would be great to see you! Below are a list of resources to help you and your child at home.

### Games for oral blending /segmenting

Tortoise talk/sound talk/robot talk- say a word really slowly separating each sound, can they guess what word you are saying? e.g. put on your c-oa-t, find your sh-oe-s.

Play Simon says- put your hand on your h-ea-d, kn-ee-s, n-o-se, b-a-ck, t-oe-s

### Websites to help your child

[www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)

<http://www.galacticphonics>

<http://www.mathletics.co.uk/>

[www.bugsclub.co.uk](http://www.bugsclub.co.uk)

### Resources to help you and your child

The school uses the Read. Write. Inc scheme to help teach the children phonics. Parent resources are available on [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk) Read Write Inc Phonics Parent Handbook- Help your child read with phonics £3.44 approx

Read Write Inc Phonic flashcards £4.90 approx

## NO PHONES

Due to child protection, and for the continued safety of our children, the use of mobile phones is no longer allowed on school premises. Please work with us and respect this procedure.



## Home time

Please collect children at **3.15pm** each afternoon in the main playground unless they are staying for a club.

If someone other than yourself will pick up your child please let the class teacher or TA and the office know beforehand. **If staff do not recognise the adult picking the child up they will not be able to allow them to collect them.** The person picking up your child should be 16 years or older.

Any child not collected by 3:30p.m will incur a charge of £5 for every hour or part of an hour.