Year 1 Class Information - Autumn Term 1



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to a new year at Parklands Infant and Nursery School and welcome to Year 1! Class 3 are taught by Mr. Tooms and Class 4 are taught by Miss Whittingham (Monday-Wednesday) and Mrs. Chivers (Wednesday – Friday). We are ably supported by Mrs Crawford-Jones, Mrs Smith and Mrs Nicholson. This newsletter is to provide you with further information about Year 1 and what the children will be doing over the coming half term.

P.E.

Class 3 PE days: Tuesday & Thursday Class 4 PE days: Tuesday & Friday

Please ensure that PE kits are named and in school **at all times.** We recommend that your child has a pair of warm tracksuit bottoms or leggings for the cooler months as we will use the outdoors. Although we have set days for PE, there are sometimes special occasions where the kits are required.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be given out via Class dojo – please keep a look out. Your child will have a homework book to complete activities in and practise spellings. Please share your child's reading book with them at home and write in their reading diary so we know they have read with you at home. We can't emphasise strongly enough how this time supports your child in all of their learning.

Parklands person

This half term we will be helping the children to think about how they can be a **Respectful** Parklands Person. This will be discussed in class, in assemblies and as part of our PSHE (personal, social, healthy and education) work. Please ask your child what they are doing to become a **Respectful** Parklands Person!



Reading

Please ensure that your child has their reading book <u>in school every day</u> so that the adults can hear them read._We cannot emphasise strongly enough how this time supports your child in all of their learning. It is important that you support your child with their reading by listening to them read as often as possible—a few pages each night really makes a difference! Please sign and date your child's Reading Diary when you have listened to them read. We ask that your child reads each book <u>three times</u> before changing them. The first read should be focused on them decoding the words so that they can read through the book. The second and third reads help them to develop their fluency and comprehension.

Collecting your child after school

Please inform us if your child is being collected by a different person at the end of the school day. Please note children will not be able to leave school with anyone under the age of fourteen.

Year 1 events

Year 1 will be leading the **Harvest Festival** on Wednesday 9th October at 9:15am. We will be collecting, as usual for the Canaan Trust so any donations of tins and packets would be greatly appreciated.

Our **Topic Celebration** will take place on Thursday 24th October at 2:45pm – further details to follow.

Many thanks for your continued support. As ever, please do come and speak to us if you have any questions or concerns or contact us on ClassDojo.

The Year 1 Team

Autumn One in Year 1

English





Science

In our English lessons we will be reading Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers.

We will develop our story vocabulary by talking about any new and unfamiliar words in the book as we read. Our end of unit writing focus will be to write a story based on Lost and Found with the children's ideas for a new character.

Our main objectives will be:

- Combine words to make sentences.
- Leave spaces between words.
- Begin to use Capital letters and full stops.
- [ise Capital letters for names of people and the personal pronoun [].

We are reading..



This half term we will focus on developing a deeper understanding of numbers to 10.

We will learn to count, sort and represent numbers in different ways. We will fill in missing numbers on a number line and add and subtract and compare numbers within 10.

We will be learning about animals. We will start by learning about pets and finding out which pets our class have at home. We will be learning about different animal groups and find out which animals are mammals, amphibians, reptiles, birds and fish. We will learn about what foods these animals eat and which animals are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

Phonics

We will be continuing with our daily Read Write Inc lessons. In these lessons the children will learn new sounds and consolidate their prior knowledge. They will learn to read and write words with the new sounds in and read decodable books to improve their fluency and comprehension.

Art

This half term in Art we are learning about line drawing.

We will practise in our sketch books using a range of different media such as different pencils, charcoal, and oil pastels.

We will study and recreate the work of famous artists who use lines to create their artwork such as Kandinsky and Lowry.

Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about the United Kingdom. We will learn the four countries of the U.K. and their flags and Capital Cities. We will also learn the names of the seas surrounding the U.K.

We will then learn about our local area, locating our nearest cities on a map, and investigating the features of our local area.

We will learn about a compass and its four directional points - North, South, East and West.

R.E.

Our focus this half term will be on Christianity.

We will be introduced to what a Christian might believe about God. We will learn the Christian Creation story and how to show respect to this Creation.

We will think about how Christians believe God would like them to behave towards others and to the world.

Music

We will be learning all about pulse this half term through listening to different music, singing songs and playing and exploring different instruments.

PSHE

Our first puzzle piece is Being me in my world' As part of this they discuss rights and responsibilities, choices and consequences. The children talk about being special and how to make everyone feel safe in their class.

Computing

This half term we will learn about technology around us. We will learn about the main parts of a computer. We will learn about how technology can help us while ensuring that we know how to stay safe when using technology.

PE

Throwing and Catching

The children will learn how to throw and catch a range of P.E equipment of different weights and sizes. They will learn the correct technique to throw underarm and also overarm.