



Greenfield Primary School

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope that you have all had a wonderful Summer and are feeling ready for the new school year. For those of you who I didn't get the chance to meet before the summer holidays, I am Miss Ellery, the Year 1 teacher for Yew class.

All Year One children will be following the same curriculum and covering the same topics. Below is a summary of the subject areas your child will be covering throughout the Autumn Term and other key information.

Maths:

This term, we will be exploring number and using a range of calculation methods to solve problems. We will be learning to use number lines and number squares and will be developing children's knowledge of place value. The table below outlines the aspects of mathematics that will be covered during the Autumn term.

Counting- Place Value, Odd and Even Numbers
Representing Numbers
Comparing Numbers
Addition
Subtraction
Number Bonds to 20
2D and 3D shapes
Assessment Week

English:

During the Autumn term we will be covering character descriptions, labels and captions, performance poetry, recounts, non-fiction writing and learning how to use punctuation such as full stops and question marks. In addition to English lessons children will be taking part in daily phonics sessions where they will consolidate their knowledge of previously learnt sounds and tricky words as well as learning new ones. Children will also be practicing their handwriting each day.

Topic:

This first half term your child's topic will be centred on the title **'Life before me'**. This topic will have a history focus and children will be learning about technology, music, food, fashion and key individuals that existed before they were born. The second half term will focus on **'The Great Fire of London'**. Through this topic children will learn what life was like in the 1600's, how the fire was able to spread so easily and how historical events have helped to shape modern day Britain.

Science:

Our first Science unit will focus on The Human Body and our second unit for this term will be Materials.

Other Subjects:

Your child will have a computing session every week. Within these sessions, they will develop their knowledge of ICT and will become more confident using different programs.



The first RE unit in the Autumn term will be centred around the questions ‘Who is a Christian?’ and ‘What do Christians believe God is like?’ In the second unit we will be answering the question ‘Why does Christmas matter to Christians?’ Children will also take part in weekly Art or DT, music and PSHE lessons.

PE:

PE sessions will take place every Monday and Wednesday.

Your child will need to arrive at school in their PE kit on these days. The appropriate PE kit consists of:

- Plain white t-shirt
- Plain black jumper or fleece
- Plain black bottoms – (jogging pants, leggings, shorts or skirt – weather dependent)
- Black or white socks
- Plain black trainers

Homework:

Your child will be bringing home a reading book. Please ensure this book is returned to school everyday inside their yellow reading record. It is important that these books are read as often as possible at home to aid children’s progress. We will aim to change the books once a week if children are reading them fluently and confidently.

Spelling Shed homework will be set each Friday. This can be accessed all week and children will then be tested on these words the following Friday. The children will also receive a purple homework book, in this book we ask that the children pick three of their spelling words and practice writing them, focussing on letter formation and ensuring that each word sits on the line.

Logins for Spelling Shed are on the front of your child’s yellow reading record.

General Information:

Please ensure your child comes to school with a coat every day, even if the weather appears warm in the morning. Children have outdoor play every day and the weather often changes during the course of the day (we would hate to miss the opportunity to play outside!).

Items at school can easily get lost or mixed up with other children’s belongings so please ensure all items of clothing including coats, shoes, bags, water bottles, lunchboxes etc. are labelled with your child’s name.

Please make sure items from home (such as toys) are not brought into school. This is to avoid distraction and disruption during learning time as well as upset if the toy should get lost. However, we are more than happy for children to share any special achievements such as certificates, awards or special news.

We hope the above information is useful but please don’t hesitate to speak to us if there is anything you are unsure of. You can usually see us at the classroom door before school and at the end of the day or for a more detailed discussion please request an appointment.

We look forward to the year ahead!

Yours sincerely

Miss Ellery
Yew Class – Year 1