



Thursday 6th November 2025

Welcome back, Year 1!

We hope you have all had a lovely half term break and are looking forward to our next exciting topic in Year 1. We have lots of brilliant things planned to make this half term a fantastic and memorable one!

Topic

Our new topic is 'Colours of the World'. We will be looking at Autumn festivals and celebrations. We will also be preparing for Christmas celebrations towards the end of the term. We are very much looking forward to our exciting trip to the pantomime in December. More details about this will follow soon.



PE

PE lessons will take place on a Wednesday. Your child will need to come dressed in their PE kits ready for activities and stay in their kit all day. As a reminder, the PE kit for all children consists of a PE top, dark shorts in warm weather/dark leggings or tracksuit bottoms in cold weather, sports trainers/black pumps, and school jumper/cardigan over the top. Just a reminder – please do make sure everything is named.



Seesaw

It has been so lovely to see lots of children sharing what they do at home on Seesaw. Please do continue to upload your photos and videos. The children love to show these to their friends in class! We have also uploaded some more home learning tasks to support our learning in school.



Snacks

A reminder that a range of fruit is provided daily for children's morning snack. Inline with our school policy, if you choose to send your child in with a snack, rather than your child having school fruit, please ensure that this is a piece of fruit.

We have noticed several children bringing in snacks to have alongside their hot meal at lunchtime. Hot dinners include a hot main and a pudding which should hopefully be ample in filling the children up. If you are finding that your child is still hungry after their hot meal or you are concerned about the amount they are eating, please do let us know so that we can review more closely what they are eating at lunchtimes. We are finding that children who bring lots of snacks are often missing their outside playtime with friends at lunch as it takes them much longer to eat their lunch than their peers without snacks. Some children are also choosing to eat the snacks rather than their hot meal. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please don't hesitate to get in touch so that we can support.

Reading

Books are changed every time the children have read and finished a book. Please send reading books in every day (even if your child has not finished their book), so that we can read with them in school. Please remember to record everything on BoomReader! The children love to be celebrated for their reading efforts. A gentle reminder that children should be reading each night at home – even just for 5 minutes. Year 1 is such a crucial year for children's phonics and reading development and reading little and often at home will support them greatly.



Numbots

This half-term, we will be introducing Numbots certificates to celebrate those children working hard on their number development out of school. It has been brilliant to see so many children practicing their number skills at home. We regularly check and celebrate those children who are logging in and playing, so please do encourage your children to play at home, as it is a great way to help them build number confidence.

Toys

As a reminder, children should not be bringing toys (including teddies) into school. We find that toys are easily lost or broken in school and therefore all children are asked to leave their toys at home.

We are looking forward to a brilliant second half of term and are particularly excited for all the festivities that lie ahead.

If you have any questions or would like to speak with us further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Miss Smith and Ms Wilson'.

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