

Welcome to Year 1

First of all... meet the Year 1 team

Ladybird Class







Mrs Parsons and Mrs Lloyd – Teachers

Mrs Williams - Teaching Assistant

Hedgehog Class



Miss Miles – Teacher



Mrs Hawkins – Teaching Assistant

Butterfly Class



Mrs Tilling – Teacher



Mrs Davis - Teaching Assistant



Miss Gadd – Year 1 SEN Support



PPA Cover Mrs Honywood HLTA

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to welcome you to Year 1.

We are trying to ensure that the children experience a smooth transition from the Foundation Stage to Key Stage One as much as possible. The Year 1 curriculum builds upon and extends the experiences that children have had in Reception. The children will gradually be eased into more formal learning as the year goes on so that they remain motivated, enthused and eager learners. We continue to encourage the use of the outdoors as an additional learning classroom. Please ensure your child has the correct clothing to access outside e.g. coat in bad weather and a hat in warmer weather.

Our topic for this term is called 'Let's Explore'. Please look on our school website for additional information.

https://www.rosegreeninfant.school/website

Key information:

<u>Phonics</u> – We will be organised into phonics groups across Year 1 and 2. These groups will focus on Phonics, reading with some writing and handwriting. These take place each morning for 35 to 40 minutes.

<u>Words of the Week</u> - We will then be learning the Year 1 common exception words. The children need to be able to read, spell and apply them by the end of Year 1. You will find the words they need to spell in their reading record books.

<u>Reading</u> – Please hear your child read as often as you can, don't forget to encourage your child to read anything! Please write in the reading record book, children will have next steps and key words to focus on too. There is a new space at the beginning of the reading record book to note any bedtime stories you read. Please feel free to put in any additional books/ reading that you share. The inside cover will give you more information.

<u>Challenge Time</u> – Later in the term, we will be introducing challenges. Each week the children will have a few challenges to complete in their free time. Usually this will consist of a maths and phonics challenge and a topic-based challenge alongside.

<u>PE kit</u> – Please make sure it fits and don't forget names and outdoor wear, you will need to regularly check your child's plimsolls/trainers to make sure they fit- if your child has shoes with laces please teach them to tie them up independently! Please ensure all long hair is tied up and earrings taped or taken out before school.

<u>Next steps</u>- Green great/ think pink. When your child completes reading/writing and maths tasks they will receive verbal feedback, with green and pink symbols.

<u>PPA</u> – This year the Year 1 teacher's PPA day will be covered by Mrs Honywood and Mrs Parsons.

<u>Homework</u> – Homework will be sent home in your child's reading record book with a sticker explaining the task. Year 1 homework will be topic based, maths or phonic related. Please support your child and encourage them to complete the homework. Spellings are to be practised each week in preparation for their weekly spelling test of a few keywords.

Any questions or problems-

You can talk to us after school and of course you are always welcome to send an email to your child's class teacher.

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Kind regards,

The Year 1 Team