



St Paul's Year 1 Newsletter



Autumn 1 - September 2019

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome to Year 1!

We hope that you have all had an enjoyable summer break and are ready for a very busy and hopefully exciting year.

Attached to this letter please find a copy of a curriculum overview for the year, and a more detailed curriculum plan outlining what the children will be learning in the first part of the Autumn Term. You will receive a curriculum overview at the beginning of each half term

Below you will find information about the structure and routines for both Year 1 classes.

Reading

The books will be changed once a week on Mondays for Class 1S and on a Wednesday for Class 1B

It is really important that your child brings their book bag on these days as we have a very compact timetable; there is very little time to change books other than on the designated day.

In your child's reading folder you will find three Oxford Reading Tree books, a Library book and a Reading log. Please comment in your child's Reading Log once they have read their books. This helps us to know that your child is reading and we can then change their books.

The library book is a book that your child will have chosen themselves. This is something for you to read and enjoy together. We are not expecting the children to read the library book independently, however, if they do wish to read some of it to you then please encourage them!

Homework

Children will be given an English book and a Maths book. They are to complete a page each week - following the timetable that can be found attached to the inside of each of the books. We will be handing out the homework books on a Friday and collecting them back in on a Monday. This will be the same for both classes.

Show and Tell

Show and Tell provides an opportunity for children to practise public speaking, effective listening and questioning skills and to expand their concentration. We will be doing Show and Tell on a Friday. Below is a timetable of when the different groups will be doing their show and tell. The children know which group they are in.

Date	Class 1B	Class 1S
13 th September	Houses	Red
20 th September	Flats	Green
27 th September	Windmills	Yellow
4 th October	Caravans	Blue
11 th October	Houseboats	Orange

PE

P.E will be on a Wednesday and Thursday for Class 1B and on a Thursday and Friday for Class 1S

Children need to be dressed appropriately in a white T-shirt, black shorts and black plimsolls (No trainers please). On these days, please ensure that children with long hair have it tied back, and that earrings are removed as we are unable to do this in school.

Our school policy states that we are unable to allow children wearing earrings to participate in PE lessons for safety reasons.

It is really helpful if all of your child's PE kit is named, they have a tendency to throw their clothes around the room, so it makes it easier to reunite the clothes with their owners.

Trips

The trips we have planned will be linked into our Topic work.

Autumn Term - Syon House (Houses and Homes)

Spring Term - Kew Garden (Africa)

Summer Term - West Wittering (The Seaside)

We will send more details of the trips nearer the time. If you feel that you will be able to help with a class trip, please email the office nearer the time of the trip.

Collecting your child

If your child is going to be collected by someone else (a friend, relative or another child's parent), it is really useful if the school knows about this beforehand, either by sending a note to us, or if your circumstances change during the day, then contacting the school office - 020 8560 3297. PLEASE CALL BEFORE 2:30pm. If we know who the children are going home with, dismissing them at 3.30pm becomes a lot quicker and easier.

If you do need to speak to us at any time, please write a note in your child's reading record or make an appointment through the office. We are available at the end of the day for straightforward queries.

You can email the school office on office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk

Yours Sincerely

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