

# A belated welcome to Year 1!

We are sorry if you couldn't make it to our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions, but here are a few of the headlines discussed...



**Our Team**

<u>OWLS</u>	<u>HUMMINGBIRDS</u>	<u>ROBINS</u>
Miss Appleby	Miss Bailey	Miss Kirby
Mrs Kibbey	Mrs Ferris	Mrs Simons
Mrs Watkinson		Mrs McFadden
Mrs Thwaites		Mrs Blofield
		Mrs Drummond
		Mrs Kibbey

## Brilliant Behaviour



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High expectations!

Positive behaviour systems

Icons: cloud, blue square, sun, rainbow.

Look out for Rainbow Awards coming home to celebrate excellent behaviour and learning!

### **Rocket Fuel, Caterpillar Points & Hummingbird Feathers**

In Year 1 we love to work as a team. If we all work together we get a class reward. (In Owls we collect rocket fuel, in Robins we collect caterpillar points and in Hummingbirds we collect hummingbird feathers. Once we get ten class rewards we get a class treat.

### **Celebrating Success**

Well done Assembly - Each week a number of children are celebrated for excellent learning and effort or brilliant behaviour.

## Reading

### Guided Reading

Your child will take part in a guided reading session with a class teacher once each week. This book will then come home with them until their next guided reading session. Please make sure these books and the reading diary are in your child's book bag every day.

## Individual Reading Books (Bird box Books)

It is the children's own responsibility to know when their reading book needs to be changed. Time will be given on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday (e.g. before morning registration) and your child will choose a new book of their choice from the relevant colour band. Please make sure you have recorded home reading in the record books.

Library Books - The children visit our amazing library on Thursdays. They will only be able to borrow a new book when they return their old one. Please make sure that your library book is in your book bag on a Thursday.

Rewarding Reading - To encourage reading at home we have a rewarding reading system in Year One! Every Tuesday your child will have a chance to celebrate their reading with their class.

Nb. We will not count reading over school holidays ☺

**BRONZE - 3 times**

**SILVER - 4 times**

**GOLD - 5 times**

## Homework -

Reading - Part of your child's Homework is to read at home. We recommend this to happen at least 3 times a week. It is essential that they read their guided reading book first and then they can read their chosen book. We really encourage the children to take responsibility for changing their own books at the beginning of the day!

Spellings - We have spelling lists that are linked to the tricky words and common exception words your child needs to know by the end of year one. Your child will have a homework book and spellings will be stuck inside this book.

Please make sure the homework book is in school every day as there may be opportunities to practise spellings within the school day.

Additional Homework - We will send regular homework home. It will support, consolidate, and enhance their learning. Homework will always be relevant and therefore it should be completed by the following Wednesday unless it is an extended piece of learning (we will let you know when you have longer to complete it!)



## PE Days

Our PE days are Monday and Wednesday.

PE will be both inside and outside. Please provide appropriate footwear (that your child can put on independently. i.e. if they are laced please ensure your child can tie them easily), a pair of shorts, a t-shirt and a pair of tracksuit bottoms for the colder days.

Please ensure everything is named!! Please also ensure long hair is tied up.

Please make sure that your child can take earrings out or provide them with white tape to cover them up.

## Day to day essentials

Reading Books  
and Diaries



Wellington  
Boots



Coats



Water Bottles



Please name  
everything!

## Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium is an additional payment given to our school by the Government to support the education of children who are eligible for Free School Meals.

We decide how this money should be used and have to publish the information on our website. We carefully monitor how the funding is spent to ensure it supports each child, improving their learning, confidence and enjoyment of school.

Examples of how this funding is currently being used in our school:

- \* Personalised learning support
- \* Enrichment activities
- \* Support with after school clubs
- \* Potential assistance with school trips
- \* Free milk which continues after your child turns 5

If you think that you may qualify for pupil premium funding, our Admin team will be available to provide support. Alternatively visit the webpage below to apply:

[www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/freeschoolmeals/juniorsecondary](http://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/freeschoolmeals/juniorsecondary)

## Show and Tell -

Show & Tell will take place on a **Wednesday** and it is an opportunity to share anything educational and topic related, or anything you have made at home and are proud of! Please don't bring in toys as we will not be able to share these.

## Helpers -

If you are free to hear readers or help on school trips, please let your class teacher know.

## Portchester Castle-

We are going to Portchester Castle on 25<sup>th</sup> September. Please remember to wear your school jumper. You can wear leggings or tracksuit bottoms. Please wear trainers, do not wear open toed shoes. Due to steps at the castle wellies will not be suitable. If it is raining please bring a waterproof. Thank you.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to come and see any of the Year 1 team!