



## Year 1 Newsletter Autumn 1<sup>st</sup> Half



Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year at Wimbledon Chase Primary School and to Year 1. Firstly, let us introduce ourselves: **Ms Read** (teacher of 1A), **Miss Daniels** (teacher of 1B) and **Mrs Nekoo Sankey and Mrs Warner** (teachers of 1C). The purpose of this letter is to provide you with information about the curriculum content covered this half term and to give you other information relating to Year 1.

We hope you will find it useful in assisting you with your child's learning this year.

### Curriculum Overview for this half term

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Main learning</b>
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Recap EYFS expectations</li><li>● Handwriting and letter formation</li><li>● Sentence structure – capital letters, finger spaces and full stops (concept of a sentence)</li><li>● What is a noun?</li><li>● Oracy for writing – Manners at the Table</li><li>● Learning the traditional story of the Little Red Hen, reading new versions of the story/making comparisons</li></ul>
Phonics /Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Recap EYFS expectations</li><li>● Phase 3 and 4 recap</li><li>● High frequency and sight words</li><li>● Reading groups focused on comprehension, prosody and fluency.</li></ul>
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Recap EYFS expectations</li><li>● Sorting</li><li>● Counting, sequencing, ordering and comparing numbers to 10</li><li>● Mastering number with use of rekenreks to support subitising and composition of number.</li></ul>
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Animals including Humans</li></ul>
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Getting to know the school/local environment</li><li>● Looking at the human and physical features of a farm as well as weather systems and the seasons</li><li>● Comparing town/cities with the countryside</li></ul>
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Dance and Games/Athletics</li></ul>
Art	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Self Portraits</li><li>● Access Art – Spirals, Mark making</li></ul>
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● E-safety – how to stay safe online</li><li>● Computing Systems and Networks – Understanding the technology around us</li></ul>
RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Belonging</li></ul>
PSHE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Relationships</li><li>● Rights Respecting</li></ul>
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Actively listening, understanding movement and beats, echo singing, showing pitch moving</li></ul>

## **PE**

Children must come to school wearing their PE kits on the day of their PE/ Games lessons.

These lessons will take place on:

1A - Thursdays and Fridays

1B – Tuesdays and Wednesdays

1C - Mondays and Wednesdays

## **Reading**

In Year 1, children should be reading at home every day. Please could you encourage your child to read a wide variety of different texts as well as their school reading book. We would be grateful if you could write in their reading record book when you have read with them, particularly with information such as words and sounds they have found challenging. Reading books are changed on a Tuesday and Friday, but please can the children bring their reading books and reading records in every day.

## **Communication book/ Communicating with Us**

In Year 1, every pupil has a communication book to promote home/school links. Please make use of these books as needed and check them daily for messages. These communication books are confidential to staff. Please inform your class teacher if your child is going home with anyone else other than the parent/carer that normally picks them up. Please can the children bring their communication books in every day (even if there is no note from home), so that we can write a message in them, if needed.

## **Homework**

Phonics: This term, we will be sending home phonics homework on a Friday (based on our weekly sounds). Please can the children bring this back in by Wednesday.

Busy books (optional): please use this book to record anything you like using any form of media.

## **Morning and Afternoon Procedure**

Year 1 children are to be dropped off at 8:45am and collected at 3:20pm in the following locations: 1A in the mornings – between the gym and IC ramps and from the ramp near the gym in the afternoon, 1B - outside the dining hall, 1C - ramp outside the classroom. If you are late, please report to the school office where your child will be signed in manually and brought to their classroom.

## **Snacks**

In Year 1, we continue to provide a fruit or vegetable snack. However, children no longer receive milk, therefore please ensure that your child has a clearly named water bottle for use in class during the day. If they would like to bring in their own snack please ensure this is either a piece of fruit or vegetable snack.

## **Meet the Teacher**

It was lovely seeing so many of you during Monday's 'Meet the Teacher'. If you were not able to attend, the slides will be made available to you.

We very much appreciate the support and encouragement you give to your child and us. We hope that all this information enables you to be involved and play an active part in their learning. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any of us via the communication books.

Kind regards,  
The Year 1 Team