

# Year 1 Newsletter



## Meet the Year 1 staff at Colmers Farm

Term 1  
Autumn Newsletter

### Teachers

Miss Wood  
Miss Williams

### Teaching assistants

Mrs Fletcher  
Miss Redmond



### Important Dates

Monday 20th October  
Big Arts Week

22nd–23rd October  
Parents Evenings

Monday 3rd November  
Teacher training day

Monday 10th November  
Anti-bullying week

Thursday 13th November  
Phonic inspire workshop

Wednesday 3rd December  
Year 1 open morning

Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome you and your child to Year 1 and we hope that they have had a great start to the academic year. This newsletter contains information about your child's learning in maths, English and geography. If you have any questions we are here to help.

Kind regards, the Year 1 team

### Useful websites:

- [www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org](http://www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org)
- [www.primaryresources.com](http://www.primaryresources.com)
- [www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button](http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button)

### Maths

- Compare, describe and solve practical problems for: lengths and heights.
- Count to and across 100, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from any given number.
- Read, write and interpret mathematical statements involving addition (+).

### English

- Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words.
- Respond with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of letters).
- Naming the letters of the alphabet in order.
- Begin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place.
- Saying out loud what they are going to write about.

### Reading

Children will be bringing a phonic book and a reading for pleasure book home over the next few weeks. Children should be able to read their phonic book independently. Reading for pleasure books are for you and your child to enjoy together. Please record when your child has read using their book-

### PE Kit

PE is every **Wednesday**. Please ensure that your child comes into school in a suitable PE kit every week.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a filled water bottle into school. Please remember that only water should be brought into school.


### Topics

Topic —'What is a map?' And 'Houses and homes'  
Science— Everyday materials  
ICT- iSafe and iAlgorithm  
PE- Fundamental skills and Ball skills  
RE- Christianity  
Personal Development— Respectful relationships

## Well Done!

The first days back can be quite daunting, especially after having a long summer break. All of the children have taken everything in their stride and settled in brilliantly. Many staff around school have already commented on how fantastically Year 1 have started the school year. The Year 1 team are feeling very proud and want to say a big well done!

## Homework expectations

KEY STAGE 1 - YEAR 1			
	Reading	Spelling Shed Online	Topic homework
Monday	Reading should take place at home daily (min 10-15 minutes per day).	Can be used throughout the week, but a minimum of once a week.	Work from the knowledge organisers may be completed at any time.
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			

### Complex Speed Sounds

#### Consonant sounds

f	l	m	n	r	s	v	z	sh	th	ng
ff	ll	mm	nn	rr	ss	ve	zz	ti		nk
ph	le	mb	kn	wr	se		s	ci		
					c		se			
					ce					

b	c	d	g	h	j	p	qu	t	w	x	y	ch
bb	k	dd	gg		g	pp		tt	wh			tch
	ck				ge							
	ch				dge							

#### Vowel sounds

a	e	i	o	u	ay	ee	igh	ow
	ea				ā-e	y	ī-e	ō-e
					ai	ea	ie	oa
						e	i	o
							y	

oo	oo	ar	or	air	ir	ou	oy	ire	ear	ure
ū-e			oor	are	ur	ow	oi			
ue			ore		er					
ew			aw							
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