

Year 1 Newsletter



Meet the Year 1 staff at Colmers Farm

Term 1
Autumn Newsletter

Teachers

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome you and your child to Year 1 and hope they have had a fantastic start to the academic year. This newsletter contains information about your child's learning in maths, English and the rest of the curriculum. If you have any questions, we are always happy to help.

We are excited for reading books to begin coming home soon; by this point, children will have practised their phonics book several times in school and will love showing off their fluent reading to you, so please help us by taking good care of the books and ensuring they are returned to school regularly.

Kind regards,
The Year 1 Team

Important Dates

Thursday 15th October
School fayre

Monday 19th October
Big Arts Week

21st–22nd October
Parents Evenings

Monday 2nd November
Teacher training day

Monday 9th November
Anti-bullying week
Big Arts Week exhibition

Thursday 19th November
Phonic inspire workshop

Useful websites:

- www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org
- www.primaryresources.com
- 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 (+).

PE Kit

PE is every **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child comes into school in a

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-marks.

Water Bottles

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

Topics

Geography — 'What is a map?' And 'Houses and homes'
Science— Seasonal changes and 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	
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Vowel sounds											
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