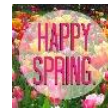




# Teacher Newsletter

## Year One Spring Term 2025



Happy New Year from the Year One Team

Thank you so much for all of the kind words, cards and gifts we received at Christmas. We hope you all had an enjoyable break.

This term, we have lots to look forward to. We will be spending time outside as part of our learning on Redbourn in both history and geography. We will need some support with taking the children out on walks and to visit Redbourn Museum, so please look out for requests for help. One of our exciting science topics this term will provide the children with the opportunity to sow seeds and watch them grow to a stage where they can be planted outside. We will start to send home weekly spellings for your children to practise. There are some suggestions how these can be practised in a fun way. The spelling won't be formally tested, instead we will be looking for children applying these spellings in their writing.

Please remember that, where possible, conversations shouldn't happen at the classroom door. Please ask us for a meeting after school or email the office to arrange a convenient time.

Mrs McLellan, Mrs Hare, Mrs Gifford and Mrs Spencer

### Sharing Assembly

Dates for your diary- our sharing assemblies will be on:

Oak Class – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 9:10 am

Beech Class – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2.30 pm

This is an opportunity for you to come and hear all about what our class have been learning. We can't wait to share it with you. Our sharing assembly will be about 20 minutes long.

### Staff:

#### Oak

Mrs McLellan (M-W) Mrs Hare (Th-F)

Support Staff: Mrs Hudson, Mrs Henderson, Mrs Faulkner and Mrs Clubb

#### Beech:

Mrs Gifford (M-W) Mrs Spencer (Th-F)

Support Staff: Mrs Percy (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) Mrs Antoniou (Weds), Mrs Moustaghfir (Mon – Fri)

Support staff are subject to change throughout the year.

Mr Stevenson teaches us PE on Wednesday and Friday

### PE

We have PE on **Wednesday and Friday**.

Earrings should be removed on PE days, or covered with tape.

Please could all children wear socks and **not** tights on PE days.

#### PE Kit

Plain t-shirt in house colour

Black shorts

Black jogging bottoms or shorts

Black plain jumper

Suitable trainers (not plimsolls)

These will be sent home for washing at half term

### Reminders

All children should have a coat, plus hat scarf and gloves in school every day.

**Woodlands** – We plan to go to Woodlands once every term. We will let you know the date in advance.

**Library Day**- Library will be on a Wednesday. Please only send library books in on this day.

**Packed Lunches**– If your child has a packed lunch, please remember we are a nut free school.

**Water Bottles** – please ensure these have a covered lid and are not likely to spill if tipped over.

**Hair** - Longer hair must be tied back, away from your child's face

**Snack**- We provide the children with a healthy snack of fruit or vegetable each day.

### Reading and Home Learning

In Year One, children are heard to read at least twice a week through Guided Reading sessions. This is where children read in a small group. Each child is heard to read individually, as well as reading skills being taught.

Please continue to help your children to remember to bring their reading books and reading record into school every day. They will receive a new Monster Phonics book, and change their 'Sharing at Home' books, weekly.

The children will continue to bring home a White Rose Maths Practice Journal most weeks. We are also going to start sending home spellings to practise at home.

**No more than 35 minutes should be spent on these tasks altogether.**

### THRIVE Values

#### **R - Responsible**

We are responsible. We work hard, we are determined and we challenge ourselves. We take responsibility for our actions, words and choices. We are reflective learners.

#### **I - Innovative**

We are innovative. We are creative, we love learning and we are curious. We are confident, we take risks, make mistakes and we are problem solvers. We are empowered to make changes.