

Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn 1

Hello and welcome back! I hope that you have all had a lovely summer. After a rather disrupted year last year, I am delighted to be welcoming all the children into Year 1. I don't know what this year will bring but I will try my best to make sure that all children are progressing, supported and enjoying their learning. If you have any concerns about anything please contact me via email tilly.stead@benrhydding.bradford.sch.uk and I will endeavor to respond promptly. Communication about illness or medical appointments should be sent to the school office.

Quick reminder about start/finish times. Year 1 start at 8:45am and finish at 3.15pm.

Best wishes,

Miss Stead

Year 1 Curriculum

Our first two weeks in Year 1 are play based whilst the children settle into their new environment. I will then gradually introduce lessons in a more formal approach starting with small group lessons building up to whole class lessons.

English

Our two main texts this half term will be *Meerkat Mail* and *Cops and Robbers*. We will be recapping using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces and using adjectives in our writing.

Maths

We will focus on Place Value and addition and subtraction of numbers up to 10. Our homework will often reflect this.

Topic

Our topic this term (until Christmas) is based on Africa and explores the continents and oceans as well as looking at African Art work. Our trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park will link to this.



P.E.

Our P.E. days are **Wednesday** and **Friday**. Children should come to school in their PE kit on Wednesday and Friday mornings and will be sent home in it. They must all have a warm jumper.



Homework

Homework will consist of a set of spellings or a math's task. It will be set every Friday (starting end of September) using Google Classroom and should be completed by the following Wednesday. Information including usernames and passwords will be sent to you all individually in a separate communication.

Book Exchange

All children have a school reading book and reading journal. These books will be changed on Fridays. If you have not finished the book your child is reading and would like to keep it an extra week or would like an extra book sending home please write me a message in your child's school reading journal.

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a water bottle in school every day. This will be sent home at the end of the day to be brought back in filled up for the next day.

Hand Sanitiser and Hand Cream

Part of the school routines include frequent handwashing. If your child begins to develop sore hands because of the frequent washing they can have a small bottle of hand cream, this should be named. If you sent your child in with a hand cream last year to Miss Alston we have now got them in our Year 1 classroom, therefore you do not need to send another.

Dates for the diary

Wednesday 22nd September- Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Friday 22nd October - Break up for half term