

## HELPING AT HOME

School crams as much as possible into the school day however there is much you can do at home to help and support your child's learning. Research shows that when school and home work together and children are supported in their learning at home, they do better academically than those children who solely rely on school.

### Reading

Please hear your child read from their reading book at least three times a week. In addition to this, your child will bring home a 'reading for pleasure book' which can be read by you and shared with your children. Every week, you will also receive an email from your child's Read Write Inc teacher with links to the reading and spelling for the speed sound they have learnt in school that week. Please give your child time to watch these videos to help support us with their phonics lessons.

By the end of Year 1, your child will be expected to read and spell the Year 1 common exception words.

### Maths

This term we are working on the formation of our numbers and the different ways to make the numbers 1-10. For example,  $0+3=3$   $1+2=3$   $2+1=3$   $3+0=3$ . Any extra practise that the children can do at home will really help. We will sometimes send home number fact worksheets.

**PE DAYS—Please ensure your child comes in the correct PE kit and NOT own clothes. PE kit—**Plain white t shirt, with or without collar, with or without logo. Navy, black, grey leggings or jogging bottoms. Navy sweatshirt, with or without logo. A pair of plimsoles WITHOUT black soles to be kept IN school, in a pump bag for indoor PE. A pair of sensible trainers to be worn for school on outdoor PE days. A pair of navy, black, grey shorts for indoor PE days.



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## Year 1 Parent Information Leaflet

**Deer Class—Miss Cheesman**  
**Squirrel Class—Miss Gregory**  
**Hedgehog Class—Miss Pritchard**

**Band Leader—Miss Stevenson**  
**Assistant Headteacher for KS1—Mrs O'Shaughnessy**  
**Deputy Headteacher—Mrs Parry**  
**Executive Headteacher—Mr Forber**

This term is an important one for your child and **every day counts**. We will be revisiting any missed learning from Foundation 2 and supporting your children to settle back into school. We have lots of exciting things coming up too!

### IMPORTANT DAYS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### PE DAYS

Deer: Tuesday and Thursday

Squirrel: Wednesday and Thursday

Hedgehog: Monday and Tuesday

**Please ensure your child has their full PE kit in on the above days.**

#### TRIPS / VISITS / EVENTS:

Seasonal walk to Central Park

Cinema trip 15.1..21

Kite making and flying

### COMMUNICATION

If you wish to talk to the teacher about anything please do so; often small issues can be quickly resolved, if we know about them. If the class teacher has been unable to solve the problem the next person to speak to is the Band Leader and then the Assistant Headteacher.

Please read **newsletter** to keep informed about what is happening in school. Important information is shared on here. Check the website if your child hasn't brought one home or follow the link on the weekly text message .

### CURRICULUM—What your child will be learning

#### **English**

We will be reading Rapunzel and Hermelin.

We will be writing golden sentences that begin with a capital letter, end with a full stop and make sense. We will also be improving our handwriting.

#### **Maths**

We will be looking in great depth at numbers 1-10 and moving onto addition and subtraction within 10. We will be comparing numbers, ordering them and making them in different ways using objects such as counters and bead strings to represent the numbers.

#### **Religious Education**

In RE our focus will be on the Christmas story.

#### **Physical Education**

We will be doing gymnastics, dance and games.

#### **Science**

**Our** topic will be 'Animals and Humans' and we will be comparing the two. We will go on a walk to Central Park to observe the park during the current season, discussing the weather, plants and observing any animals we see.

#### **PHSCE**

We will be following the 'Jigsaw' scheme and starting with 'Being in my world'.

Our theme in Autumn is 'Our School'. We will be understanding what a 'birds eye view' is and creating a map using this of our school playground. We will think about what we like and dislike about our playground and use compass directions to draw what we can see in the different directions. Children will also be introduced to human and physical features and identify some on the playground.

In DT, we will be investigating, designing, making and finally flying our very own kites!

Children will also be working as artists and looking at the artwork of Kandinsky. We will be creating similar artwork to him and using 2d shapes to make these. We will also be looking at the Primary Colours and mixing these to see what new colours we can make.