Welcome to Year 1



Firstly, we would like to say a huge welcome from all of the Year 1 team. We are so excited to share our newly designed curriculum with you and to see how in Year 1 we can contribute to the Golden Thread Questions. This term, we focus on the big question **'How can we make a difference?**' We have already been so impressed with how settled the children are and they have already made a huge difference in how they have supported each other with our core values of friendship and kindness.

Each subject across the curriculum will have a key question, which we will explore and return to every session. Please watch the video re our curriculum launch if you have not already had the chance to do so –

SPCEDS Curriculum Launch - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lskABf9UPnU</u>

Who is who?

Y1HH - Harriet Haddow

Y1EWRG - Emily Wand and Rosie Goddard. Anthony Horton will also be in this class every Friday.

FS2Y1AC - Annabel Cooper (Phase Lead)

We also have some pretty fabulous support staff within our classrooms who bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to your child's learning journey. These are Beverly Ward-Hardy, Karen Maxwell and Zoe Cawley.

Our Year One classes are also extremely lucky to have Magda Mazurek supporting as well. She speaks Polish and is happy to help translate for anyone who feels this would be beneficial.

At lunchtime we have the incredible support of Beata Wells, Karen Maxwell and Michelle Philpott. These people are key in supporting your child both when eating and when outside playing so please encourage your child to remember to use their manners and super listening during these times.

On a Thursday morning, Harriet Haddow and Annabel Cooper will not be in class as this is the time they have to plan and prepare some fantastic opportunities based on assessments and observations that week. Emily Wand and Rosie Goddard will take alternate weeks out of the classroom (Emily Wand every other Monday and Rosie Goddard every other Thursday). During this time Anthony Horton, Beverly Wade-Hardy and Zoe Cawley will lead the children.

If you ever have any questions please come and talk to us on the door at the start and end of the day, email us via the year group email <u>Y1@spaldingparish.lincs.sch.uk</u>, follow our journey on Twitter @Y1SPCEDS and keep up to date of what has been happening across school in 'The Parish Post'.

PE Days/Kits

We continue to ask the children to come ready in their PE kits on their PE days. Just as with our school uniform, we ask that the children come in the appropriate PE kit as listed below.

For your child's safety please can you make sure that there are no earrings in your child's ears on these days.

FS2Y1AC - Thursday: Indoor PE

Y1EWRG – Friday: Indoor PE

Y1HH – Friday: Indoor PE

Indoor Kit: Purple or white T Shirt (plain), navy blue or black shorts (plain), plimsolls or trainers.

Reading Rambles and Maths Meanders Books

For the children's Home Learning, we will be setting challenges in the books listed above. We ask that the children take responsibility for this, engage and talk to you about it. Time will be available in school if it is needed as we know sometimes there are just not enough hours in the day – especially with important family time to be had!

Please ensure that these books are brought into school every day.

Local Community

We are very keen to develop and foster links with the local community. When you have read our Curriculum Overview for Year 1, if there are any contacts you have which would help support the children in Year 1 further we would love to hear about them. If you have time to support in some way, please let us know.

Finally, we would like to share the key events coming up in the next two terms.

Key Events coming up in Term 1:

Monday 13th September: Roald Dahl Day: <u>https://www.roalddahl.com/</u> (To be celebrated in school on Friday 17th September). Friday 1st October: National Poetry Day – Theme Choice

Key Events coming up in Term 2:

Monday 8th November – Friday 12th November: Maths Week: <u>https://mathsweekengland.co.uk/</u> Friday 12th November: Children in Need Sunday 14th November: World Diabetes Day W/B 15th November: Anti-Bullying Week (remember your odd socks or colourful tights). Friday 10th December: Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your continued support and engagement throughout your child's learning journey. We cannot wait to share the exciting learning which will be taking place in Year 1. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if we can support in any way.

The Year 1 Team