



Together We Can
Autumn Term 2021 Newsletter
Year One

Dear parents and carers,

A very warm welcome to Year 1. As the new school year begins it is lovely to see the children happy, energetic and ready to learn. The children have been spending this first week settling in and making the new and exciting transition from Reception to Year 1. This year we have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for many lessons across all subject areas.

In Year 1 we are looking forward to working with you and building strong relationships to support and challenge your child in their learning. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or queries either at the end of the day, via the office or email: year1@st-josephs-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Please help support your child by ensuring that they:

- Read daily for 15 minutes with an adult using their phonics.
- Complete homework to a high standard. Homework will be set on Google Classrooms every Friday.
- Learn weekly spellings that will be tested on a Friday.
- Practice their number bonds and mental maths which will be tested on Friday.
- Come in the appropriate PE kits on a Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Year 1 Team includes:

Class 1E - Miss Johnson, Ms Pleasant, Mrs Hudson and Mrs Foley-Brown.

Class 1S - Miss Bunyat, Miss Mitchell and Mrs Foley-Brown.

TIMETABLE

P.E. is on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY (Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit)

HOMEWORK is set on Friday and due in FRIDAY. All on Google Classrooms.

SPELLING TEST is on FRIDAY

MENTAL MATHS TEST is on FRIDAY

EXPECTATIONS FOR READING



- I can read a story with my teacher picking out key aspects.
- I can identify and discuss the title and key events.
- I can show I understand what has been read to me.
- I can draw on what I already know.
- I can draw on information given by my teacher.
- I can make inferences.
- I can predict what might happen.
- I can read a poem.



Books to read and share with your child

The Three Little Pigs

The Three Little Wolves-
Eugene Trivizas

The True Story of the
Three Little Pigs- Jon Scieszke

The Cat in The Hat- Dr
Seuss

Hairy Mc Clary-Lynley
Dodd

The Tiger Who Came to
Tea-Judith Kerr

The Large Family Collec-
tion-Jill Murphy

Charlie and Lola- Lauren
Child

The Smartest Giant in
Town-Julia Donaldson

EXPECTATIONS FOR WRITING

- I can write sentences using full stops correctly.
- I can write sentences using capital letters at the beginning correctly.
- I can write a story with a familiar setting.
- I can describe a character.
- I can write a story with a beginning, middle and end.
- I can write an adventure story.
- I can use adjectives correctly.
- I can write part of a poem with patterns.
- I can write part of a poem including the senses.



ACTIVITIES TO DEVELOP YOUR CHILD'S WRITING

To develop writing the children need to develop their fine motor skills. Examples of activities are:

- **Threading, posting and slotting toys.**
- **Poking straws into holes.**
- **Pasta necklaces.**
- **Play dough**
- **Weaving around cardboard**
- **Pipe cleaners and colanders**
- **Beads on spaghetti.**

EXPECTATIONS FOR MATHS



USEFUL WEBSITES TO SUPPORT LEARNING

Busy Things

Purple Mash

BBC Bitesize

Primary Games Arena

Primary Resources

Maths zone

Number Place Value

- Count, read and write numbers to 20
- Count to and across 20, forwards and backwards.

Calculations

- Add and subtract within 10.
- Add and subtract within 20.
- Count in 2's, 5's and 10's.
- Read, write & understand calculations with +, - and = signs.

Measurement and Geometry

- Find different combinations of coins that equal the same amounts of money.
- Recognise and know the value of coins and notes.

WIDER CURRICULUM

**Learning Challenge:
Bonfire Night and the
history of Guy Fawkes.**

**Science: Animals in-
cluding humans.**

**RE Topic: God's Great
Plan**

ACTIVITIES TO USE WITH YOUR CHILD

Please refer to learning links on the school website.