



## Welcome To Year One!

### In other news...

**...School Council elections take place next week.**

**...A new reward system has been introduced.**

**... Regular updates about what we've been up to will be added to our Facebook page.**

### Important Dates:

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September –  
School Council elections

### PE

The PE units this half term are Team Building and Fundamentals. PE days are Mondays & Thursdays. On these days, children should come to school in their school PE kits and trainers. Please ensure this includes only dark coloured shorts.

I would like to welcome you and your child back to school and hope you all had a wonderful summer break! We have lots of interesting and exciting learning opportunities planned to cover all curriculum areas and information about this can be found overleaf. I am really looking forward to teaching your child this year and getting to know them. I will be teaching the class every day except for Monday afternoons and Wednesday at 12.45-2pm. Mrs Maw will be covering my PPA time on Monday and Miss Taylor/Mrs Yates will be covering my ECT time on Wednesday. The lovely Miss Taylor will also be supporting the children's learning in Year 1. If there is anything you wish to discuss at any point, or if you have any questions about the information on here, please email me at [frubie@twissgreen.net](mailto:frubie@twissgreen.net) or feel free to come and speak to me before or after school any day.

**Homework** – The children will have two homework folders (green and blue). The blue folder has been sent home today and this is to be returned next Wednesday. The children will then bring home the green folder, to be returned the following Wednesday, whereupon the rotation will begin again. The folders will contain the following homework: handwriting/ spelling sheet, Maths worksheet and a phonics sheet outlining the graphemes and tricky words we have covered in their phonics lessons that week. We would be most grateful if you could please encourage your children to read these to you to further consolidate their learning. In addition, as we are using the Little Wandle reading scheme, the children will access their reading through Collins Big Cat e-books for which you should already have a password. We will allocate one e-book per week as part of their homework. They will have read this book in school that week and will have had 3 sessions focusing on decoding, prosody and comprehension. Reading should be recorded in their reading record and signed by a parent once a week please. The children will also choose and take home another book to share the reading with you or for you to read to them to encourage reading for pleasure.

### Phonics

As part of the Little Wandle scheme, we will have a daily phonics lesson reviewing the graphemes and tricky words they have learnt so far, introducing new graphemes (or alternative pronunciations of those graphemes) and new tricky words each week. They will also have 3 group reading sessions per week with an adult focusing on decoding, prosody and comprehension. Each group will have one book to focus on and this is the e-book that will be allocated to them for homework that week.

### Spelling

The children will bring home a spelling/ handwriting sheet each Friday covering Y1 spelling rules and this is to be returned to school the following Wednesday. The children could also log in to Spelling Shed to practise and complete games on that week's words. They will complete a spelling quiz each week the following Thursday. We will start with some of the tricky words that they learnt in Reception as we will be reviewing these in phonics in the first few weeks back.

Please visit the [Y1 Class page](#) and click on the 'Curriculum Map 2022-2023' tab for the full Y1 Curriculum map.

## **Autumn Term 1 2022 – Year 1 are learning about...**

### **Other Subjects**

#### **Design & Technology**

We will be designing, making and evaluating our own sandwiches this half-term, encouraging them to think about what makes a healthy diet.

#### **Computing**

Through Purple Mash the children will learn all about online Safety & Technology outside of the house.

#### **PHSE (Jigsaw)**

This half-term we will focus on 'Being me in my world'.

#### **RE**

We will be learning about Christianity. Our focus question is 'Why do Christians say that God is a Father?'

**Music** – Hey You!

#### **Spanish**

We will be doing the register every morning in Spanish & learning the numbers 0-10.

### **English**

Our main text is '**Major Glad, Major Dizzy**' by Jan Oke and in our English lessons, we will be ...

- Writing discovery narratives, and setting descriptions
- Exploring new vocabulary
- Focusing on plural noun suffix -s
- Developing Y1 writing skills by focusing on the use of finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. We will be developing their ability to combine words to make sentences and sequencing sentences to form short narratives.

### **Maths**

**In maths, this term we will be:**

- **Place Value within 10** – reading, writing and ordering numbers to 10, counting and representing objects to 10, counting forwards and backwards, comparing numbers to 10
- **Addition & Subtraction within 10**– Adding and subtracting numbers to 10, using fact families, learning number bonds to 10

### **Science – Animals including humans: Exploring Senses**

The children will start by learning the different parts of the body and what they are used for. We will then discuss the five senses and how we and other animals use these to communicate and keep us safe. We will explore all the different senses through various practical activities.

### **Geography**

Our Autumn term Geography focuses on fieldwork in the school grounds. We will be using our class author's book, *The Gruffalo*, as inspiration and will be creating maps, using positional language and learning compass directions. We will also be learning about various human and physical features in both our school and our local area.