Welcome to Year 1

Frida Kahlo Class

Miss Rollason and Miss Trueman are very excited to welcome you to Year 1! Your child will now begin their journey through Key Stage 1 and we are both so excited to begin working with them. This year in Year 1 we will all **STRIVE** to be the best we can be.

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*To have good manners and be courteous. *To be considerate of others.	*To use and look after equipment responsibly. *To begin to work independently.	*To keep trying when things are hard. *To have pride in my work, making it the best it can be.	*To ask questions about my learning. *To think about what I've learnt before and how this can help.	*To listen to what others have to say. *To respect what adults ask me to do.	*To make sure I am ready to learn. *To apply my knowledge in all subject	
*To show God's love in our actions.	*To make my own decisions to help me learn. (without relying on the teacher)	*To share my ideas confidently.	*To understand that to try new things is to take a risk.	*To appreciate that everybody has strengths in different areas.	areas. *To be a good role model around school at all times.	

<u>Inquisitive</u>

This year the school focus will be **Inquisitive**.

Year 1 will be the <u>Frida Kahlo</u> class. Frida Kahlo was a significant individual from the past who was curious to explore different ideas and cultures. Her inquisitive nature helped her to create unique paintings that make people think about the world in new ways.

This year, we will **STRIVE** to be as inquisitive as Frida in our learning.



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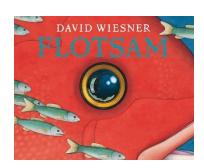
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Our theme for Block 1 is **How far can we travel?** We will explore this question through the themes of **Diversity** and **Belonging**.



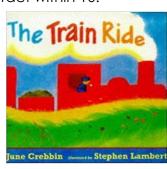
We will be reading The Train Ride, along with other stories including Flotsam. Your child will write labels and captions for pictures and use different drama strategies to aid their writing. We will learn about Transport in History and create a time line. In Science we will learn about animals and their adaptations. In Maths we will focus on place value within 10 and then look at how we can add and subtract within 10.



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We use a scheme called **Essential Letters and Sounds** to teach phonics. There is a daily phonics lesson where the teacher teaches a new sound, or reviews sounds learned earlier in the week

During the summer term your child will take the **Phonic Screening Check**. The Phonics Check occurs annually in June for all Year 1 children. Children read 40 real and pseudo (made up) words to test their phonics decoding ability. The pass mark is usually 32. Your child's score will be reported to you on their end of year report.

To help your child with phonics you can look at the following videos.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=17&v=UCI2mu7URBc&feature=emblogo

https://cdn.oxfordowl.co.uk/2016/05/05/20/22/32/561/20097 content/index.html?id=ae%20

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vqvqMt\$Nswo&feature=emb imp woyt

Religious Education

In RE we will be learning about Creation and Covenant until half term and then will move onto **Prophecy and Promise** until Christmas.



In Year 1, the children have **3** different homework activities each week:

1) Maths –Workbook

- * Children will use a work book to complete the work.
- * A page in the booklet will be set a **Friday** and will be due the following **Thursday**.

2) Reading - online

- * Children will use Reading Eggs.
- * A comprehension lesson will be set on a **Friday** and will be due the following **Friday**.



3) Spelling – spelling homework books

- Children will receive 6 spellings to practise a week.
- * Children need to pick 1 activity from the spelling activities list inside the front cover of their spelling homework book and complete it.
- * Spellings are given out on a **Friday** and children will be tested on these words the following **Friday**.



Please read for a **minimum of 10 minutes** every night.

Children will have 2 books:

- <u>Decodable reader</u> These books are to practise specific phonic sounds and may stay with your child for several weeks.
- **Shared reader** These books are for you to share with your child to encourage a love of reading and include fiction, non-fiction and poetry. These reading books will be collected in and changed twice a week.



Please ensure your child's reading packet (with their decodable reader, shared reader and reading record) is in school **every day** and that your child's reading record is filled in every time they read and signed once they have finished their book in order that it can be changed.

The children will move up colour bands for their Shared Reader as their reading progresses. They will move up to the next colour band when they can fluently and audibly read the words as well as understand the content of what they have read.

They need to be able to confidently answer a range of questions such as: recalling the events of the story, predicting what might happen next and why, deducing the meaning of words from the context clues on the page, inferring why a character did or said something and we focus on other areas too.

This is how book bands progress from Reception to Year 1:

BOOK BANDS	Reception	Y1	
PINK	EMERGING		
RED	DEVELOPING		
YELLOW	SECURE		
BLUE	MASTERED	EMERGING	
GREEN		DEVELOPING	
ORANGE		SECURE	
TURQUOISE		SECURE+	
PURPLE		MASTERED	

The children's books will be changed on **Tuesday** and **Friday**.

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We will be doing PE every <u>Tuesday</u> and <u>Friday</u>. The children will need to make sure they come into school in their PE kits on these days. Please ensure children come in outdoor PE kits as we will try to be outside as much as possible.

Class Dojo

The school uses Class Dojo as a way to promote **STRIVE** as well as being an opportunity for you to contact me about any query you may have. Your child will receive positive points on this site for displaying the key skills within **STRIVE**. Please make sure you have signed up so that we can share all our learning with you.



Diary Dates

To be confirmed

