

Autumn Term 2020

Welcome to Year 1!



3.9.20

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to Year 1! We are looking forward to having the children back in school and getting to know them better throughout Year 1. There will shortly be a curriculum letter on the school website outlining some of what they will be learning this term. Due to coronavirus, things will be looking different this year. We will be communicating with you via the school website and Twitter. We will also be beginning to introduce Teams as a form of communication. Do contact the school if there are any questions until then.

You child will receive their **new reading books** next Thursday 10th September. They will get their new reading book **each Thursday** and this will be given in by your child the following **Monday**. Please make sure you read with your child regularly: ideally a few pages of their school reading book each day from Thursday to Monday. To **let us know that your child has read their book** and needs it changing you will need to write the book title and pages read (eg. P7-end) on the 'My Progress' sheet kept in a poly-pocket in their bookbag. You can also write any short comments about their reading in the space provided.

Date	Book Title	Parent/Teacher Comments

These will be checked on Mondays only. When we hear your child read in school this will be recorded on a different reading record. We will also use different books (of the same level) when we hear your child read to help keep everyone safe. As your child gets more confident in taking their own responsibility for books and safety, this system will change and develop. We will keep you updated as to how book change will continue if there are any changes.

Do keep up reading at home from Monday to Thursday by reading other books at home, e-books such as those on: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>, practise tricky words, phonics sounds or blending using games on: <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>. This will be your child's main homework for the time-being. Also they can begin to practise their maths equations using 'Numbots'. Their personal login will be sent home and they can have a go at the games at home to practise their maths. There is a parent information sheet about 'Numbots' on the Year 1 page of the school website: <https://www.st-andrews.lincs.sch.uk/year1.asp>

Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning.

Mrs Shirra