



Primary 1 - Term 4



Welcome

Our class teacher is Mrs Saunders.



Our General Assistant is Mrs Bell.



Reminders

- The school gate opens at 8.30am - staff will supervise children from that time until the start of the school day at 8.45am.
- Our PE days are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. PE kit should be brought in on a Monday and kept in school until Friday so that it can be taken home to be washed. P.E kit should be kept in their gym bag and clearly labelled with your child's name and class. They need a pair of shorts, a t-shirt and indoor shoes/trainers. Please note, no jewellery should be worn on these days.
- All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Water - all children are encouraged to drink water. They should bring a filled water bottle each day. If they are packed lunch, an additional drink is required.
- Snack - we encourage all children to eat healthy, nut free snacks. They should bring a playtime snack in their school bag each day.
- School meals should be ordered online.

Class Rules

Dina the Dinosaur visited our classroom and explained our classroom rules. Our classroom rules help us to work hard and behave well.

Dina says we must...

1. Always try our best.
2. Remember to use a 'quiet hand'.
3. Listen carefully.
4. Remember our manners.
5. Be nice to each other.

If we can follow our classroom rules we earn Dina Chips. When we collect ten Dina Chips we can choose a Dina Prize as a reward.

Star of the Week

Every Friday a child is chosen to be 'Star of the Week' and they get to take Dina home for the weekend.



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Literacy

This term we will be revising all Jolly Phonics sounds with a focus on digraphs - ai, oa, ie, ee, or, ng, ch, sh, th and qu. We will continue to spell three and four letter words and common words. In writing, we will be writing simple sentences within dictation, write about the picture, news and within the context of Dina's Adventures. We will practise writing our sounds. We will be reading in class two/three times a week and some children may bring a book home to share with parents/guardians. The children will continue to be issued with word boxes in order to develop their blending skills. The children will continue to be introduced to "Tricky Words" and ORT words which will help with their reading and writing. We will be reading lots of stories and we will encourage the children to retell their own stories.

Numeracy

We follow the Samson Maths programme of study which involves learning about number, money, addition and subtraction. At the Early Level, the children also learn about 2D/3D shape, pattern, direction, symmetry, time, measure and data handling. This term, we will be counting orally to fifty and beyond. We will focus on numbers from 0-30 and ensure that the children can recognise, count, order and write 0-30 and understand the value and position of each number. They will consolidate their understanding of mathematical language - less than/more than, one/two more/less than, largest/smallest and numbers before, after and between. The children will continue to develop their understanding of addition and subtraction within ten. They will learn to recognise coins up to £2 and use coins to pay the exact value for items up to 10p. The children will also learn about time, halves and 3D shape.

Curriculum

In P1, we learn through play which helps us to reinforce our learning within all curricular areas whilst developing independence, creativity, communication, problem solving skills, resilience and respect for others.

We will continually reinforce our classroom rules and routines and we will continue to encourage the children to establish and develop friendships.

Our topics for this term will be Spring and Summer. All children will receive input on a Wednesday from Mrs Carter for Music and a support teacher on a Thursday for Mathematics and French.

Homework

Homework tasks will be sent home in homework folders **and** they will be posted on our P1 ClassDojo page. Please check on a daily basis for new tasks, sign homework records and click 'like' on ClassDojo to show when they have been completed. Comments are welcome too if your child has completed this well or if they have had any difficulties.

Take time to practise all sounds, word boxes, tricky words, ORT words, reading, number formation and addition/subtraction stories. Please take some time to share stories and play games with your child at home. Also, children are welcome to bring in items from home to explore at our Investigation Station.