



Primary 1 - Term 2



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 learning the sounds *σ, u, l, f, b, ai, j, oa, ie, ee/or, z, w, ng, v, y, x* and *σσ*.

The children will be learning to blend words using all known sounds. When they can confidently blend, they will be issued with Word Boxes.

In addition, the children will be learning to write words using all known sounds. They will be introduced to simple sentence construction.

Tricky words will be issued this term - please take time to practise these at home every day.

Oxford Reading Tree (ORT) characters and Stage 1 words will be issued on a weekly basis.

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 twenty and beyond. The children will learn to form the numbers 0-20. We will continue to focus on mathematical language - less than/more than, one/two more, largest/smallest and number after. The children will be introduced to the concept of addition and learn simple addition facts to five.

They will also develop an understanding of handling data using pictograms and simple graphs.

Curriculum

In PI, 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 topic for this term will be 'Celebrations'. We will be learning about Halloween, Bonfire Night, birthdays and Christmas.

All children will receive input from Mrs Carruthers for Music and in ICT, we will be working with Mr Schoolar to support and improve the children's digital technology skills.

Homework

From Term 2 onwards, homework tasks will be sent home in homework folders **and** they will be posted on our PI TEAMS page. Please check on a daily basis for new tasks, sign homework records and click 'like' on TEAMS 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 and number formation. 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.