

Welcome to Team 1!

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Hello and welcome to Team One!

It has been so wonderful to return to school and to the bright and beautiful children of team one. I would like to thank you all enormously for your support during the beginning of term and am incredibly excited about the year ahead!

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate let let me know.

Miss Atkin.

PE days

Our main day for PE this year will be a Wednesday. Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school at all times in case this changes or we have additional sessions. This can be kept on their peg in school and will be sent home for cleaning at the end of each half term. If you have older children in school, they might wear their PE kit to school, but in Team 1 we feel that learning to change clothes is a valuable life skill which we can support in school. We would be grateful if you could support your child in learning to change their clothes at home too. Those buttons can be tricky, but are great practice for using their fine motor skills!



Snack

You will now have received a letter detailing arrangements for paying for and ordering snacks from school. If you have any questions or problems logging on to add funds to your account, please contact the school office who will be happy to help.



Wellies

We are lucky in Team 1 to have a super outdoor learning area. Therefore, all children require welly boots at school for outdoor learning. If your child's feet have grown since reception and you wish to bring in a larger size, we will send home your child's old wellies for you to replace, just let us know.



Pick up/drop off

Children can be dropped off in the morning between 8.30am and 8.50am at the KS1 bay door, where a member of staff will greet them. Please note that doors will be closed at 8.55am prompt, and any arrivals after this time will need to enter via the front entrance and will be marked as late.

Pick up is at 3:10pm and children will be dismissed via the main entrance to school.



Reading expectations

Your child will be regularly assessed in reading and will bring home a reading record alongside a book matched to their reading level. They will also have the option to bring home another book from the class library to enjoy at home.



Reading with your child is not only a pleasurable bonding experience, but will also help your child in all areas of the curriculum, and is a huge focus in Team 1. We know that parents are busy, and sometimes it can feel like a chore to read every day, but even a couple of minutes can have great benefits to your child's education and vocabulary. This could be listening to your child read, but also reading a book to your child so that they are exposed to fluent, expressive speech and a wide vocabulary. We would ask that each time your child reads you could note this in their reading record, details of how to do this will be found in the front of their reading record.

PPA time

Miss Atkin will take her planning, preparation and assessment (PPA) time on a Thursday afternoon. During this time, we are very fortunate to have Mrs Coman-Jones come into the class to teach the children art or design and technology linked to our class topics each term.

You can keep up to date with life in Team 1 by following us on Twitter @HMillSchool, and via our weekly class blog on the class page of the website

<http://www.hornsmill.cheshire.sch.uk/class/team-1>

If you have any questions or wish to talk to us about any aspect of your child's school life, please do not hesitate to talk to us. You can catch us at the end of the school day, or

by email aatkin@hornsmill.cheshire.sch.uk . We very much look forward to spending the year with your children, and hope that they find Team 1 a fun and inspiring space to learn.

Kind regards,

Miss Atkin, Miss Evans and Mrs Coman-Jones