

Horn's Mill Primary School
Denbigh Close
Helsby
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## Nurture, Inspire, Flourish

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome from all of us in Team 1! We are very excited to teach and support your children as they continue their journey from EYFS to KS1. Our team of staff comprises of teachers Miss Foster (Mon-Wed) and Mrs Hulse (Thurs-Fri) and teaching assistants Miss Evans (who you will already know) and Miss McWaters (Miss Mc). Both Miss Foster and Mrs Hulse have many years of experience, teaching across all age phases within primary education and have taught across many classes in Horn's Mill. The children are familiar with the team of staff and are used to seeing them around school, supporting at school events and during the transition days.

#### A little bit about us...

Miss Foster lives in Wales with her 7-year-old daughter. They love exploring the natural world together, and when she has free time, she enjoys being outdoors and going camping. Mrs Hulse lives with her husband, three children, and two dogs. Much of her time outside school is spent keeping her busy household organised! She enjoys walking her dogs, practising yoga, reading, and travelling. Miss Evans lives in Frodsham with her 13-year-old daughter, Layla, who you may often see helping at school events. She loves watching movies, being creative, and spending time with family and friends. Finally, Miss Mc lives in Helsby with her 6-year-old son. She enjoys spending time with her family, watching her son play football, and going on long walks with their new puppy.

Please feel free to come and talk to any of our team if you have any questions or need to share concerns. You can also email us weekdays between 8am and 6:30pm.

Our email addresses are hfoster@hornsmill.cheshire.sch.uk and ghulse@hornsmill.cheshire.sch.uk



Miss Foster Teacher



Mrs Hulse Teacher



Miss Evans Teaching Assistant



Miss McWaters
Teaching Assistant

### A typical day in Team 1

8.30-8.50am	Morning activities and register	12pm 12.45pm	Lunch Register, happy breathing, handwriting	
8.55am	Ready Steady Read	1pm	Wider curriculum learning	
9.50am 10.00am 10.50am 11.05am	Snack English Break Maths	3.05pm 3.10pm	Tidy up Home time	

PE day will be on a Thursday. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit each week. It is recommended that these stay on their pegs in school. We will send them home at the end of each half term for washing and a full inventory check! Children should wear black PE shorts/black jogging bottoms, a school PE top/plain red top and trainers. Please clearly label all uniform, including shoes, bags, coats etc.

### Expectations for home learning

Reading has a huge impact on children's learning. Therefore, children are expected to read for 10 minutes, 3 times a week at home as a minimum, although daily reading is recommended. Please record each read in their reading record. The number of home reads will be logged to track their progress. Children will also complete reads with additional adults during the school week to maximise their progress.



Reading records and colour coded books should be brought into school every day. Books will be changed on Tuesdays and Fridays until they reach blue banded books and higher, where they will be changed once per week on Tuesdays. Each book should be read 3

times at home before it is changed. Once your child has filled their reading record, we kindly ask that they bring a small notebook into school to use instead. In addition to coded books, your child will choose a library book each Friday to share with you at home. These should be returned each Friday in order for them to be changed.

Home learning ideas for each term can be found on the T1 class page of the school website. These activities are optional and are provided for families who wish to consolidate or further develop their child's learning at home.

# Exciting things ahead...

We have lots of exciting things planned for our curriculum this year including a visit to Chester Zoo and a local environment walk. To find out more about our curriculum, please visit our class page on the school website. We will post regular updates of our learning on X (formally Twitter) so please make sure you follow us and give us a like.

We're looking forward to a fabulous year! Kind Regards, Team 1 staff