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## Welcome to Year 1 and 2

To Parents and Children of Year 1 and 2,

Welcome back, we hope you have had a lovely Summer. We can't wait for the adventures of the next academic year to begin, and we are looking forward to having the pleasure of supporting your children to thrive!

In our class this year, we are very lucky to have wonderful adults supporting with learning.

Mrs Yardley-Goldrick will be teaching in class every day.

Mrs Clough will be teaching in class on a Wednesday afternoon.

Mr Rezzano, Mrs Blinston, Miss Coventry and Miss McClendon will be supporting in class throughout the week.

We have some great topics coming up over the course of the year, starting with 'Life on the Farm' in Geography – where we will be learning about different types of farms, the physical features of a farm, we will learn to navigate our way around a farm using a map and understand how seasons affect life on the farm. In Science, we will be learning about The Human Body – our body parts, our senses, the organs beneath our skin and the importance of looking after our bodies.

### Uniform

In line with our uniform policy, it is expected that your child comes to school in the correct uniform. Children must wear **a green jumper or cardigan, a white polo shirt and black shoes (not trainers)**. We advise you **label everything** as jumpers and cardigans can often get lost. We try to get our children out as much as possible so please ensure they have a coat with them, so they can be prepared for all weathers. Please remember jewellery must not be worn and long hair should be tied back.

### PE

PE will be on a **Thursday**. We kindly ask that your child comes to school on a Thursday wearing their full PE kit. This consists of a yellow PE t-shirt, black shorts, black leggings/joggers, a black jumper and suitable sports shoes. **Please label everything** as this makes it much easier to return lost items.

### Forest School

Forest School sessions will be on a **Monday**. We kindly ask that your child comes to school in their **own clothes**. These clothes need to be suitable for the outdoors and must cover your child's arms and legs. These clothes are likely to get wet and muddy, so please only send your child to school on this day in clothes you don't mind getting wet and muddy. Suitable footwear must also be worn, or wellies can be brought in, in a labelled bag.





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### Reading Books

In Year 1/2 each child will have a designated reading day. On this day, they will read with an adult in school 1:1. During this time, the adult will also check your child's reading record for evidence of reading at home. We understand you are busy and so if you do not have time to write a comment, please just initial the reading record once your child has read, so we know the children are reading at home. If there is no comment or initial, we will assume the books haven't been read.

On a Monday, the green and red words for your child's guided reading book will be sent home. We ask that you practise reading these with your child, so they become fluent in reading these words.

On Friday your child will then bring home their storybook that they have been reading in school all week – this is their 'Show Off' read. They will also bring home a 'Book Bag Book' – this will be an unseen read. Your child may read their books before the week is up, that's ok! It's great practise for them to read texts more than once to help them become familiar with a story, build fluency and speed and to improve their comprehension and inference. We ask that your child reads at home **at least 3 times a week**.

### Numbots

In Year 1/2 the fluency of core number facts is a key element of the curriculum. As a result of this, as a school we have invested in an online programme called Numbots. Numbots can be accessed using a computer or laptop or downloaded as an app on an iPad or tablet. Your child will be provided with their own unique username and password to access the online platform. We ask that your child spends **at least 20 minutes per week** on Numbots outside of school as part of their homework.

### Edshed

In Year 1/2 another key element of the curriculum is the teaching and learning of spelling rules and patterns so the children can apply these accurately in their independent writing. We use a whole-school spelling scheme called 'Edshed' for consistency across the school. Again, Edshed can be accessed using a computer or laptop or downloaded as an app on an iPad or tablet. Your child will be provided with their own unique username and password to access the online platform. We ask that your child spends **at least 10 minutes, 3 times per week** on Edshed outside of school as part of their homework. There will be set assignments to complete each week to reinforce the weekly spelling rule or pattern that has been taught in class.

### Resources

We kindly ask that your child does not bring any of their own stationery into school, including their own pencil case. All stationery and resources needed will be provided by school. Can we please also remind you that space is very limited in our cloakrooms therefore we kindly request that children do





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not bring oversized bags into school. To avoid the disappointment of precious items getting lost or going missing, please also ensure your child does not bring in toys/possessions from home.

### Water Bottles and Snacks

It is important that your child stays fuelled and hydrated throughout the day for their brain to work at its best. Therefore, we ask that your child brings in a water bottle to school. This bottle should be **labelled** to prevent it being lost or misplaced and filled **only with water**. Your child is also encouraged to eat a **healthy snack** during their morning break; this could be fruit, rice cakes or breadsticks. If you wish for your child to purchase toast or a bagel from the kitchen, this needs to be ordered in advance and prepaid online through Arbor.

We hope you find this information helpful and will endeavour to keep you informed and updated throughout the year. If there is ever anything you need to discuss we are more than happy to help at the end of the school day. Alternatively, meetings and phone calls can be arranged via the school office.

Here's to a fabulous first term in Year 1/2.

Kind regards,

Mrs Yardley-Goldrick and the Year 1/2 team

