

Welcome to Year One

We are Sycamore Class

Staff

Miss Rodgers - class
teacher

Miss Milburn - class
teacher

Mrs Price - teaching
assistant



Year One

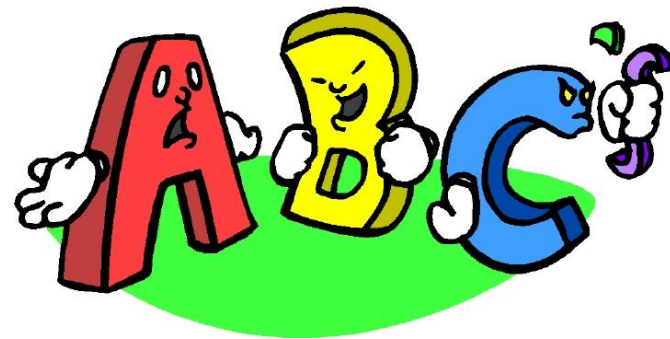
Year One is all about developing independence so the children are encouraged to look after their own possessions.

Each morning coats, lunch boxes, water bottles and fruit snacks are all put in the correct places by the children.

Children are rewarded with Dojos through the day for good behaviour and hard work.



Read, Write Inc



Children learn phonics to help them to read and spell.

We use the Read, Write Inc Phonic Scheme.

Children work in small groups every day.

They are assessed every half term.

All Year One children will be tested using the National Phonic Screen in June.

Children who do not meet the expected standard will resit the test in Year Two.



Reading

We teach the children to use a range of strategies when reading.

Reading practise at home really helps!
Please never cover pictures - they have lots of clues.

Little and often is best!

Please let us know how your child is reading at home by writing in the yellow 'Reading Log'.

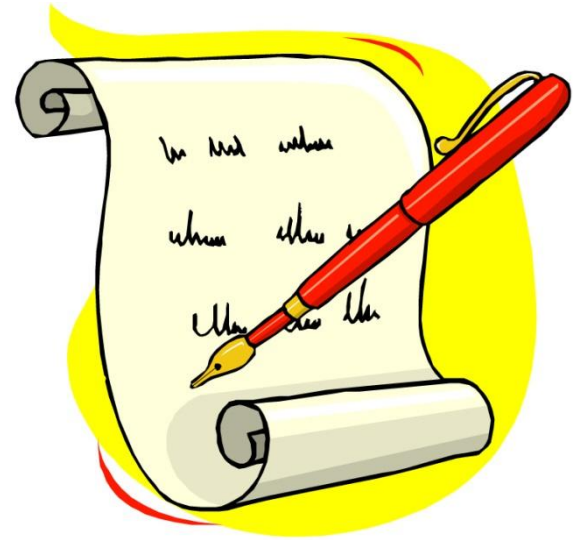
Homework

Book bags will usually come home on Fridays - please return them to school by the following Wednesday.

Unfortunately, books returned after Wednesday cannot be changed until the following week.



Writing



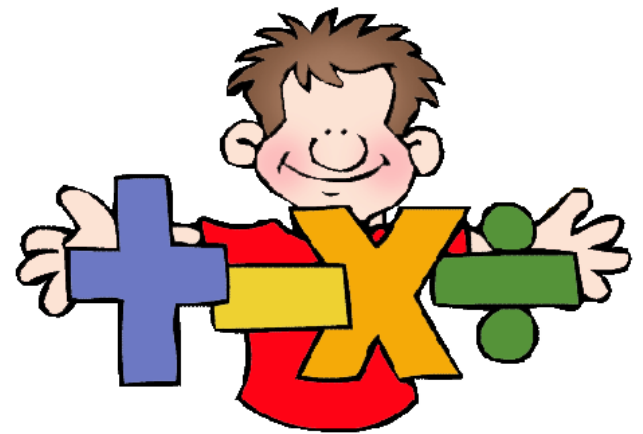
Handwriting:

It is really important that children form the letters in the correct way.

Composition:

When writing, it is very important that children think of a sentence and say their sentence before they write.

Maths



Year One maths is very practical and visual - lots of problem solving.

Maths homework will not be sent weekly this year - our Homework Suggestion sheet is now on the website.

Homework tasks will consolidate learning - please allow your child to use practical equipment such as counters, buttons or even pasta shapes when completing the tasks. Make it fun!



Continuous Provision



In Year One we consolidate and extend the children's learning through our continuous provision.

The provision is progressive and builds on the skills mastered in FS2.

We set challenges for the children to complete and encourage independence.

P.E.

Our PE days this half term are Tuesdays and Fridays.

Children wear their school tracksuit all day.

Please name **EVERYTHING!**

No expensive trainers please.





Other information



- Please provide a named water bottle for your child.
- Vegetable or fruit snacks only please!
- School fruit is available each day.
- Please provide a coat every day as we often learn outside.
- Please name all clothes, coats and possessions.



Playtimes



Some of the children are playing quite roughly on the playground. With this in mind, we would like the children to bring one small toy into school to play with at playtimes eg a small car, figure or animal or perhaps a little notebook and pencil. Please ensure that the toy fits safely into a coat pocket - nothing too precious or expensive please. No cards please - swapping causes a lot of arguments! Also no balls please.

October Parent Meetings

We would like all our parents to have the opportunity to meet with both of us.

We will be available to meet with some parents on the following dates:

Thursday 8th October

Thursday 15th October

Please make an appointment for one of these dates today if your child has no siblings in school.