

Welcome!

Meet the Teacher 2025



Thank you for being here today!

Our Values

A – Aspirational learners who embrace learning throughout their lives.

C – Curious and inquisitive minds that explore the world around them.

O – Open minded individuals who embrace all opportunities with enthusiasm.

R – Respectful and resilient global citizens who excel in a rich and diverse curriculum.

N – Nurturing and caring individuals who make a positive contribution to society.



Welcome to Year 1!

The staff in Year 1 are:



- Mr Hill
- Miss Shahzad
- Mrs Spilman

Queries or Problems?

If you have any queries or problems please approach your child's teacher in the first instance.

An appointment can then be made with Mrs Clayton, Deputy Head teacher or Mrs Maude, Head teacher if the matter is still not addressed



Year 1 Curriculum

When children move from the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) to Year One, the curriculum becomes more structured. While play remains important, there's a greater focus on formal learning in subjects like English and Maths. Lessons are more teacher-led, helping children gradually adapt to the expectations of Key Stage 1.

The children will continue to be independent in their learning of the Foundation subjects. Following wholes class inputs, the children will the enter Enhanced Provision. During this time there will be some adult led activities as well as many independent learning opportunities. There will be 6 'Rainbow Activities' that the children will be expected to complete over the week (this is in addition to English and Maths work).



Reading

It is essential that children bring their reading books to school every day. Your child will have been given their reading book already.

Children will change their reading book weekly.

Please support your child by encouraging them to read on a daily basis, for a minimum of 10 minutes, and signing their Reading Record on a weekly basis.

The class teacher or teaching assistant will listen to your child read at least once a week.

Reading

Reading will also take place during our daily Phonics sessions. Children will practise reading a book containing the weeks focus sounds and 'Red Words'.

Reading For Pleasure

We want our children to have a love of reading therefore we will have many initiatives to encourage this across the year which will share soon. Please support this at home too.



Phonics Screening Check

The Phonics Screening Check is a short, statutory assessment taken by all Year One children in England, at the end of the school year. It helps schools and teachers confirm whether children have learned the key phonics skills needed to read words confidently.

During the check, children read 40 words aloud—some real and some made-up— to assess their ability to decode using phonics. It is conducted in a relaxed, one-to-one setting with a familiar adult. Results help identify any areas where additional support may be needed. Parents are informed of their child's results by the end of the summer term.

We will hold another meeting to go through this in more detail at a later date.



Uniform

- This year, Uniform – Black shoes only (no trainers)
- Indoor P.E kit: Black/navy shorts & white T-shirt/polo shirt to be worn to school on the day of PE and sports clubs
- Outdoor P.E kit: Black/navy shorts & white T-shirt/polo shirt, trainers (dark tracksuit for cold days) to be worn to school on the day of P.E or Sports Club.

Long hair to be tied up.

No Jewellery – only watches (no smart watches)

No nail varnish

No valuables

Please note:

We expect the children to be in full correct uniform every day. If you need support with this, please let me know as the school may be able to assist.

Earrings:

We are moving towards being an 'earring-free' school. This includes studs. The reason for this is safety.

Snacks

Fruit is available for free during morning break times.

We are a 'Healthy School'. Should children bring their own snack or lunch, we advocate healthy choices.



Water Bottles

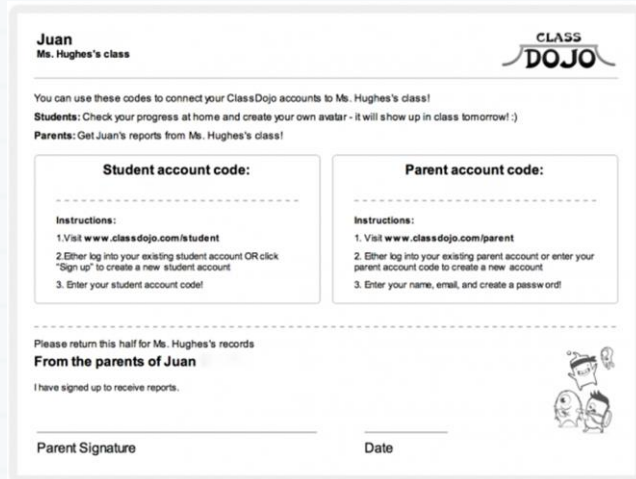
Please send a named clear water bottle in to school with fresh water for in it everyday, not juice. Medical advice is that by drinking juice throughout the day even sugar free juice, this can cause tooth decay. It's better to offer juice in a cup only with meals and limit daily amounts.

This is for the children to drink throughout the day in their classrooms.



Communication

Class Dojo



Juan
Ms. Hughes's class

CLASS DOJO

You can use these codes to connect your ClassDojo accounts to Ms. Hughes's class!

Students: Check your progress at home and create your own avatar - it will show up in class tomorrow! :)

Parents: Get Juan's reports from Ms. Hughes's class!

Student account code:	Parent account code:
Instructions: 1. Visit www.classdojo.com/student 2. Either log into your existing student account OR click "Sign up" to create a new student account 3. Enter your student account code!	Instructions: 1. Visit www.classdojo.com/parent 2. Either log into your existing parent account or enter your parent account code to create a new account 3. Enter your name, email, and create a password!

Please return this half for Ms. Hughes's records

From the parents of Juan

I have signed up to receive reports.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____



Class Dojo is also our main communication tool; we will send notices and general messages from this.

We may also use Class Dojo to communicate personally with you, so please check this regularly.

School Spider



We use School Spider to send out more formal information such as letters, these will arrive in your email inbox. You will receive the headteacher's termly newsletter though this platform too.

You can also book parent's evening appointments and complete online surveys and forms.

You can login via our website by selecting 'parent login' on the top bar of our site or, via the School Spider app. You can download the app for free from Google Play or Apple App Store by searching School Spider.

Online Safety

Teaching children how to stay safe online is becoming more and more paramount every day. In school we have SMART rules and CEOP posters displayed in every classroom. Children spend their first half term in school learning about online safety in Computing lessons.

Please help support us in educating children about this by implementing rules and regulations at home.

P.E. & Games

Outdoor PE kit is required on a **Tuesday** and **Friday** (children will come to school in their kit)

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit, this is listed on the school website.

Jewellery is **not permitted** to be worn including earrings!

If children have a club after school, they must bring their PE to change into at the end of the school day.



Forest School

This year, the children will take part in Forest School, led by Miss Exley. We will inform you when this will take place and the clothing required for it.



Outwood Primary School is proud to have a forest schools site on its grounds.

Forest School is a child-centred inspirational learning process. It develops confidence and self-esteem through learner inspired, hands-on experiences in a natural setting.

Develop socially, emotionally, spiritually, physically and intellectually.

It creates a safe, non-judgemental nurturing environment for children to try stuff out and take risks.

Forest School inspires a deep and meaningful connection to the world and an understanding of how the children fit within it.

A strong understanding of the importance of nature is an attribute that children can carry forward into adult life to protect the planet we live in.

Specifics for Year 1

- All children in KS1 are entitled to a free school meal – please order online
- Forest School information to follow.
- We will have a school trip that will be linked to our learning. Information will be sent out as early as possible.

Dates for your diary

- 29th September - Café Connect
- 17th October – Cauliflower Cards to be returned
- w.b. 20th October – Parents' Evening
- w.b. 27th October – Half Term
- 3rd November – INSET Day
- 12th November – Individual School Photographs
- 10th December – Christmas Performance 2pm
- 11th December – Christmas Performance 6pm
- 19th December – Last Day of Term

Homework

Homework will be set every half term by the class teacher.

Homework books will be sent out for your child to complete homework tasks in.

It would be fantastic if you could complete a challenge at least once a week.

Feel free to share any models or work via dojo and we can show the class 😊

Please read with your child for 10 minutes everyday.

Clubs

At Outwood we offer a variety of clubs for the children to attend. Some will take place in school time and others are after School.

The children will be made aware of the clubs that are on offer. We do have limited spaces for these, so we try to make it as fair as possible.

SPORTS COOL

You can sign up for the after school clubs by using the website.

<https://www.sportscoolcheshire.org/>



Attendance Matters!

The Government state that you have a legal duty to ensure your child receives a regular education at school or otherwise than at school, which will help give them the best possible chance of success in life.

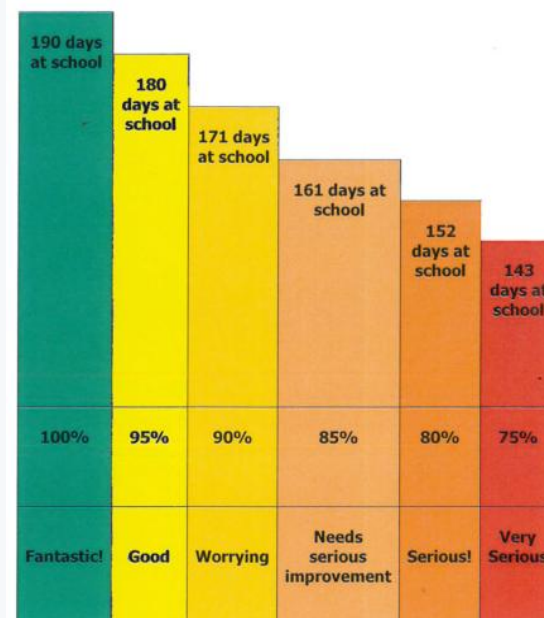
The Government updated its attendance guidelines last year. Please read the leaflet for more information.

Sorry, we cannot authorise holidays in term time.

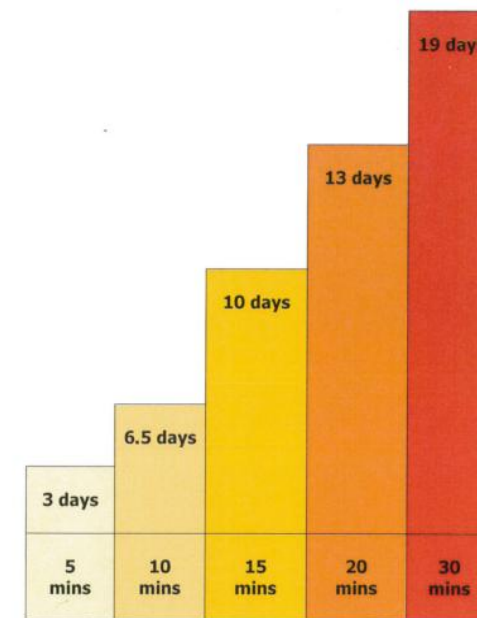
Attendance and Punctuality

These graphs refer to the end of year attendance data and will assist you in seeing if your child is on track this year.

% Attendance



Only being a few minutes late...most days...equates to:



Home/school agreement

At Outwood it is important that parents/carers, pupils and staff, respect each other's contributions and work together to achieve the highest possible levels of success for all our pupils.

This will be sent out this term.

Please read, sign and then return this to school.



Thank you!



Thank you for coming!

Any questions?

