



Welcome to Elm Class!

We would like to wish everyone a big welcome, we are looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you. My name is Miss Tracey and I will be your child's Class Teacher. We are very lucky to be supported by Miss Chadwick and Mrs Cockcroft.

Curriculum

Please look on our school website: www.st-jameslanehead.lancs.sch.uk view our curriculum map which will be uploaded very soon to see what we will be learning about each term. If you do not have access to the internet then please see a member of the team and we can provide you with a paper copy.

PE

Elm Class will have PE on Wednesday and on Friday. This may change from term to term, we will inform you if it does. Please ensure that your child brings their PE kit into school on Wednesday. We will return it for washing on Friday. Their PE kit should include a white top, navy tracksuit bottoms or shorts, navy hooded sweatshirt and waterproof coat (if the weather is rainy, we will not go outside in heavy rain) and a pair of trainers. Long hair must always be tied back and for safety reasons and no jewellery should be worn.

Phonics and Reading

We carry out phonics sessions daily. We will then continue to practise our phonics throughout the day across other areas of the curriculum and within the continuous provision, both indoors and outdoors. We encourage the children to use their phonics in both their reading and their writing, to ensure that their knowledge is developing and securing.

Reading is a key priority for us as at school. We complete reading sessions daily where the children are given access to a variety of texts. We will continue to use the Read Write Inc. programme to teach children to read. **More information will be sent out regarding home reading, links to support your children with their phonics and access to online reading material.**

Reading books are still available on Purple Mash and Serial Mash. Children will also choose a library book to enjoy with you at home. This will not be a book that matches their phonics ability, it will be to develop a love of reading and something you can share together. We encourage you to read with your child daily, just 10 minutes a day has a huge impact on your child's reading fluency and understanding. Within school, we explore the stories by discussing characters, and story events, so you may choose to do this to deepen your child's understanding of what they read. If you require any support with this, please contact a member of the class team through the school office.



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Homework

Children will be given homework linked to the curriculum. Homework is an important part of your child's learning. Year 1 children will receive weekly homework. Homework will be sent out on Friday and should be completed for the following Wednesday. For children in Reception we will build up homework gradually, you may be given a QR code to visit over a few weeks.

We hope your child will enjoy being a part of Elm Class and if you need clarification about anything please do not hesitate to ask.

Information can be viewed on our school website at www.st-jameslanehead.lancs.sch.uk. Please keep looking at our class page where our learning will be regularly updated!

Thank you for your support and cooperation,

The Elm Class Team



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