

# KS1 NEWSLETTER



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Autumn Term – September 2025

## Key Dates to Remember This Term

### Term dates

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Sep – PD Day 1  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Sep – PD Day 2  
Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep - Pupils Return  
Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Oct to Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Oct - Half Term  
Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Last Day of Term  
Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec to Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2025– Xmas Holidays  
Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 – PD Day

### Events

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Sep - Teacher Phone calls: 3.30-4.30pm  
Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Oct - Parent Consultations: 3.40 – 6.40pm  
Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct - Parent Consultations: 4.30 – 7.00pm  
Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> Nov - Individual/sibling Photographs  
Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Nov & Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - Flu Vaccinations  
Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Dinner  
Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Dec – KS1 Xmas Production 1 – 9.30am  
Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Dec - KS1 Xmas Production 2 - 2.00pm

### Class Exhibitions - Friday Mornings at 9am

13 <sup>th</sup> Feb – 2BC	15 <sup>th</sup> May – 1JC
1 <sup>st</sup> May – 2LG	19 <sup>th</sup> June – 1K
26 <sup>th</sup> June – 2S	3 <sup>rd</sup> July – 1J

## Staff

Mrs S Coyston (2BC) Phase Leader (*Will be on maternity leave until Oct half term*)  
Mrs N Krzywanska (1K) Class teacher  
Miss S Jay (1J) Class teacher  
Mrs S Cray (1JC) Class teacher  
Miss S Brunning (1JC) Trainee teacher  
Mrs G Brown (2BC) Class teacher (*Will be on maternity leave in October*)  
Mrs L Stollery (2S) Class teacher  
Miss M Le Grice (2LG) Class teacher

## Teaching Assistants:

Miss S Stannard, Miss K Percy, Mrs S Murton  
Miss H Coleman, Mrs E Weighill, Miss E Visser

## KS1 Routine – Beginning of the Day

Beginning of the day:

- KS1 children to arrive between **8.35-8.50am – learning time will start immediately.**
- If you arrive after 8:50, you will need to take your child to the office to register them.



Year 1 Enter and Exit Here



Year 2 Enter Here



Year 2 Exit Here

- Parents, please help us in supporting the children to be independent by staying behind the yellow line and not entering the building.
- If you have any messages, there will be staff members positioned at each entrance. Please inform us if a different adult than normal will be picking up your child in the afternoon.

## End of the day: (3:15pm)

- Parents will wait in the playground whilst the children leave the school.
- Please be patient in the first few weeks whilst we get to know you. Your child will be asked to point you out.
- If you would like to speak to the class teacher, then please wait until all the children have left the line.



We would be really grateful if children would only bring a bookbag to school and not a rucksack. This is because in KS1, we have the smallest classrooms and nowhere to store rucksacks. Thank you!

### Uniform and PE

Please ensure your child is following the rules below:

- No jewellery to be worn
- Hair longer than collar length to be tied up
- Plain, black shoes or trainers. No boots.
- No cycling shorts or leggings as uniform.

On your child's designated P.E. days, they will be expected to come into school in the correct [new style] P.E. kit rather than the normal school uniform. Here are the class days:

Year 1 –

1K Mon (outdoor), Tues (indoor)

1JC Wed (indoor), Thurs (outdoor)

1J Mon (indoor), Thurs (outdoor)

Year 2 –

2BC Mon (Outdoor), Fri (Indoor)

2S Mon (indoor), Wed (outdoor)

2LG Mon (indoor), Wed (outdoor)

### Wonder Wood

All KS1 children will continue to learn creatively in the Wonder Wood and in our school garden throughout the year. They will need a pair of wellies kept in school every day to change into in wet weather.

Please ensure they are wearing appropriate clothing on Wonder Wood days. Children must wear jogging bottoms/active leggings, a named sweatshirt and trainers.

**No Jeans or fashion leggings.**

Year 1 Wonder Wood days: FRIDAY

Year 2 Wonder Wood days: THURSDAY

Library books must be returned each week on:

Mon - 1JC

Tues – 2S

Wed – 1K

Thurs – 1J

Fri – 2LG, 2BC



### Home Learning

- **Daily Reading** – Children will bring home a RWI book and a library book. Reading with your child on a daily basis for 5-10mins will have a significant impact on their reading, supporting them to improve their reading fluency. Each read (doesn't have to be a whole book) should be logged on **BOOM READER** (passwords are the same as last year). If the children get 7 reads in one week, they will receive a Golden Ticket. When they collect 5 Golden Tickets, they can receive a book of their choice from our book vending machine in the library.
- **Times Tables Rock Stars (Mostly year 2 children)** – Children can access TTRS through their Wonde password. By the end of year 2, children should know their 2x, 5x and 10x tables off by heart. TTRS will help your child to practise their times tables in a fun and engaging way.
- **Numbots** – Children can access TTRS through their Wonde password. This is an online platform for children to practise their mental maths skills.

Next year, **Year 2 children** will be able to bring a **small** pencil case if they want to.

If your child would like to bring a pencil case, here's some things that would be useful for them to bring.



### Maths

In KS1, we follow a maths scheme called White Rose maths. This is a whole-class mastery programme. Your children will be encouraged to use practical resources like cubes and dienes to represent problems in lots of different ways to ensure they develop a deep understanding of mathematical processes.

### English: Talk for Writing

These are our class texts this half term. The children will learn to tell these stories and then innovate by writing their own texts, adding their own ideas.

Year 1 – Wanted Poster (Big Bad Wolf – based on Little Red Riding Hood)

Year 2 – Information Text: The Red Eyed Frog

**Year 1 – Our autumn theme is: Amazing Me****Science:**

- Naming the basic parts of the human body
- Exploring using our senses.

**Art:**

- Discussing the artwork of Andy Goldsworthy
- Exploring natural art and pattern.
- Drawing our portraits
- Creating clay portraits

**History:**

- Describing and comparing how toys have changed overtime

**DT:**

- Designing and making a pop-up toy

**R.E:**

- Judaism

Year 1 will continue to have opportunities to learn through play on a daily basis during the Autumn Term.

**Year 2 – Our autumn theme is: South America****RE:**

- Finding out how the Jewish community celebrates new year

**Geography:**

- Locating South America and other continents on a map
- Describing the geographical features of Rio
- Locating and finding out about the equator

**Science:**

- Describing and comparing a rainforest habitat
- Plant adaptations

**Art:**

- Discussing the artwork of artists; John Dyer.
- Mixing Colours

**DT:**

- Making fruit kebabs

Please find transition documents on our website:

<https://www.britannia.suffolk.sch.uk/transition/>

These PowerPoint Presentations will help to reassure and remind your children of what to expect in September. They have pictures of their classrooms, teachers, teaching assistants and much more!

We hope you all have an amazing summer holiday. We look forward to welcoming our new classes in September.