

## Welcome to Year 1

Welcome to Year 1, we are looking forward to the start of a new school year and sharing all the great learning experiences we have in store for your child! Keeping you as parents/carers involved in your child's learning is very important to us, so we would like to share some important information with you:

### 2026-27 Year 1 Team



Mrs Bell



Mrs Illidge



Mrs Belshaw



Mrs Bancroft



Mrs Bloomfield



Miss McKenna



Miss Vallow



Mrs Shafipour

### Key Information

Our curriculum will be inspired by our Autumn Bookshelf that is filled with exciting, high-quality texts that enable us to centre our curriculum around six different character traits (Bravery, Citizenship, Curiosity, Gratitude, Integrity and Kindness).

#### School Day

- The school day begins at 8.45am and ends at 3.15pm – please aim to have your child ready to enter the school building at 8.45am promptly as we will be starting lessons every day at 8.50am.
- Pupils will have a morning and afternoon break. Their lunchtime is 12.00pm – 1.00pm. The specific time the children will eat their lunch changes slightly each day, based on a weekly rota for the Key Stage.
- An example of a typical weekly timetable will be made available in September on the [Year 1 page of our website](#).

#### Practicalities

- Children are provided with a fruit or vegetable snack for playtime each day which is currently funded by the Government.
- Children in Year 1 are still eligible for Universal Infant Free School Meals entitlement. You are of course welcome to send your child in with a packed lunch (please remember nothing in these should include nuts).
- Pupils in Year 1 wear their PE kits in place of regular school uniform on their PE day (day TBC)

- Uniform expectations remain the same as last year – [full guidance on this can be found here](#).

### **Reading**

- A phonetically decodable reading book will be sent home each week, linked to your child's Phonics learning. In addition, a text from our Class Library will also be chosen by your child as part of our reading for pleasure culture.
- We encourage parents/carers to comment in your child's Reading Record book each time you read with them.
- Your child will read with their Class Teacher, Learning Support Assistant and their peers as part of our Early Reading and Phonics curriculum. [Further details can be found here](#).

### **Home Learning**

- The purpose of Home Learning is to consolidate and extend learning that has taken place in class.
- Children should be able to complete the tasks independently following an initial explanation, but can be supported if required.
- Home learning alternates between Maths/Arithmetic and English/Reading Comprehension and should be completed in your child's Home Learning book. These are sent home on a Friday and are to be handed in on Wednesdays.
- Any questions regarding Home Learning should be shared with your child's Class Teacher.
- Other online platforms are available for the children to use either as part of the weekly Home Learning or as additional resources to further embed learning from in school. In Year 1, this includes Spelling Shed, One Minute Maths and Numbots. Logins (where required) can be found in the front of the children's Reading Record books.

### **Home School Communications**

- Your child's Class Teacher should always be your first point of contact.
- A member of the Year 1 Team will be available every morning and at the end of the school day. For conversations that may require more time or privacy, please arrange an appointment.
- Reading Records and reading books to be sent home and returned to school daily.
- Parents' Evenings will be scheduled each term, the provisional dates for these will be shared in our Annual Planner in September.
- Feedback can be shared with Class Teachers, Parent Council Reps or one of our Parent Governors.
- Our whole school Weekly Newsletter and Instagram account includes the most up-to-date information for you to read and enjoy throughout the school year

### **Drop-off and Collection Arrangements**

- The children will enter and leave school via their Year 1 classroom door onto the playground
- If the person collecting at the end of the day changes, please inform the Admin Team via email or telephone if this changes during the day/at short notice so that the team know who to expect.

### **Year 1 Highlights...**

- Forest School
- Nativity performance
- Year group assembly performance
- Educational visits throughout the year, including one off site visit per term
- Author visits (virtual and in person)
- Opportunities to learn outside of the classroom
- Practical, hands-on learning
- Opportunity to apply for one of our Pupil Parliament Groups
- *Please follow us on Instagram: [chps.year1](#)*

*For more information, please visit our website:*

[Cheadle Hulme Primary School](#) or, our year group page: [Year 1 - Cheadle Hulme Primary School](#)

