

Welcome to Primary One!

General Information

- School starts at 9am
- School finishes at 12:30pm until 26th September
- Full day starts Monday 30th September till 2pm
- Break – fruit, plain biscuit, keep yogurts for lunch. No nuts
- Dinner money – School Money app
- Absent – Class Dojo message
- P.E – Monday and Wednesday, wear your P.E to school
Starts 16th September
- Please label all your child's belongings

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- Please speak to me in person or contact the office and make an appointment if you have any serious concerns or worries.
- Teacher is first point of contact for any concerns.
- Toys – please do not send any toys into school.
- Afterschool clubs will start in term 2.
- If you could supply 1 box of tissues each for the year and a pack of twistable crayons as well as a change of clothes.

Foundation stage – revised curriculum

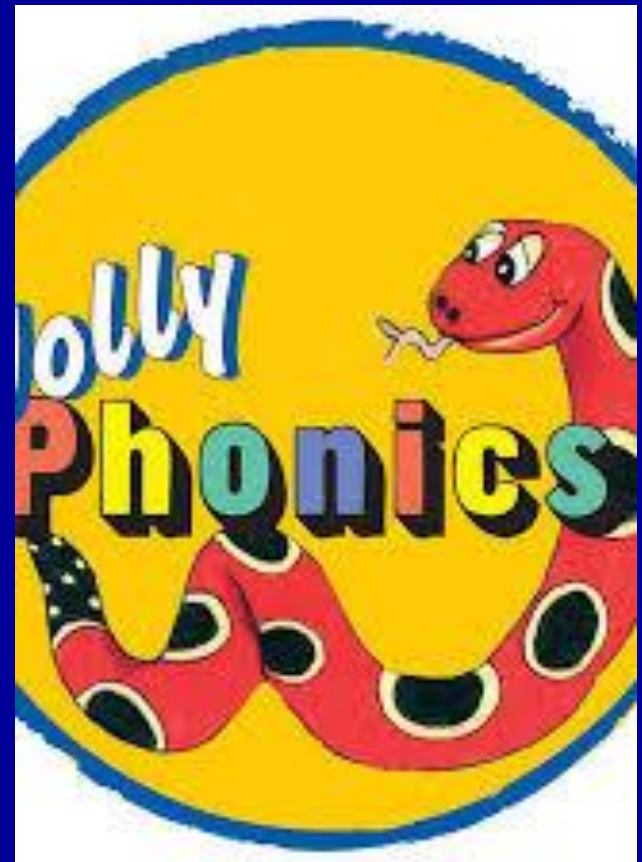


- Working on good listening, concentration
- Independence is very important- have a go
- Listening – vital skill
- Learning through play as well as more formal work.
- Building foundations for future learning.
- Follow rules and show good behaviour.



Literacy

- Using Jolly phonics, can find lots of jolly phonics resources online.
- Refer to letter sounds, not name!
- Activities include:
tracing, making sounds with dough or wet sand, looking for letters in books and environment etc. Magnetic letters are a great Santa gift.
- CVC words (consonant, vowel, consonant)
- Online resources available. Star Fall ABC, Hairy Letters, Learn to Read



Reading

- Lots of shared reading in P.1.
- Reading night is encouraged every Wednesday this term.
- Some children are NOT READY TO READ
- Read with your child, talk about characters, pictures, favourite page or part of story, predict the ending.
- Home reads – familiar books your child will bring home as part of homework later in the year.



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- Have opportunity to read and re-read these books in school or we may of read them as a shared story.
 - Most children will need you to be their role model and read with them.
 - February/March – reading groups for guided reading.
 - Children encouraged to sound out individual letters (segment) and blend sounds.
 - Children will need to have onboard certain number of HFW, which we will be giving out as part of our homework.



Writing

- Encourage children to write at all times.
- Marks and scribbles are all part of your child's development in enabling them to write.
- Some children cannot write name but are encouraged to try. Work on this at home.
- Pencil grip – very important!!
- Model at home correct pencil grip.
- Develop fine motor skills by using scissors, colouring in or playing with dough.
- Look up finger fitness on Youtube for some ideas.



Numeracy

- Lots of sorting activities
- Oral and mental maths
- Practical maths games
- Working within 10
- ICT
- Numeracy apps- Top Marks, The Little Monkeyapps.com.



Homework

- Received first H.W Monday 7th October.
- Mixture of literacy & numeracy
- Practical activities and games alongside more formal work.
- Library books – Reading night every Wednesday this term, please ensure they are returned every Friday!
- Any difficulties or issues let me know.
- Pritt Stick



Buddy Bear Adventures

- Buddy will be sent home with one child every weekend. You are asked to print photos of your child doing various activities with buddy bear and we will use these as part of show and tell on a Monday.
- A class rota has been drawn up.

