



St. Anne's C.E. (VC) Primary School

"Together with God, Making Learning a Life Long Friend"

We aspire to be guided in all that we do by our inclusive Christian ethos. We are enthusiastic about life-long learning and share wisdom in serving each other and our world. We encourage all to live lives of hope and aspiration, inspired through acquiring new skills and attributes. Dignity and respect are at the heart of our school.

17th September, 2021

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PERSON WITH PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

RE : YEAR 1 AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER

Welcome to Year 1!

Our topic for this half term is All About Me where will learn about our local area and the human body.

Myself and Mrs. Williams will aim to hear the children read individually at least once a week. To help make sure that your child is getting a new book when they have finished we will bring a box down every morning where your child has to put their book into the box when it is ready to be changed. This will be then changed and your child will have a new book at the end of the day. We do keep an eye on the children who say they have not read at home and do not need their books changing. We will also make sure to check on the children that go to Kids Club. Also if you are wanting to keep the book longer then we recommend you write this into the reading record or do not put it back in their school bag so we know that you would like to keep this book longer.

We will also aim to go through your child's keyring once a week and update as necessary. Please continue to hear your child read as often as possible (ideally 5 to 10 minutes each day), focussing on the building up of their key ring knowledge, and write in their reading diary even if it is only a quick initial to indicate that you have read with your child, or to make a comment about your child's reading.

It is the school's policy for all children to read at least 5 times a week. It is important to remember that young children often believe that 'reading' only consists of reading and discussing books that you have at home, or obtain from the library, together with reading labels and signs and other print that children see around them. A love of books and reading is one of the most precious, important gifts anyone can give a child. Your child will reap the benefits for the rest of their lives. Reading encourages imagination, builds understanding, opens up new

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worlds and helps children reach their full potential. Please make sure that your child's key ring, reading book is in your child's bag every day.

	8:50-9	9-10:10	10:10-10:35	10:35-10:50	10:55-11:15	11:15-12:10	12:10-1:05	1:05-1:15	1:15-1:25	1:25-2:10	2:10-3:10	3:15
Monday	Registration	Literacy	Phonics	Break time	Guided reading	Maths	Lunch time	Picture news		Science 1:25-2:40	PSHE 2:40-3:10	Home time
Tuesday		Literacy	Phonics		Guided reading	Maths		Worship	Computing 1:15-2:00	PE		
Wednesday		Literacy	Phonics		Guided reading	Maths			Handwriting	RE	PE	
Thursday		Literacy	Phonics		Guided reading	Maths		Topic				
Friday		Literacy	Phonics		Guided reading	Maths		RE		Music		

Phonics is a major part of Year 1, we are mixing with Year 2 for phonics and phonics is taught every day following the same Read Write Inc. scheme.

In Maths this half term we are focusing on becoming secure with numbers 0-20. This will include one more and one less, number words, sorting, counting backwards, positional language, comparing and addition and subtraction. We will be adding and subtracting using a variety of methods including part whole modes, number bonds and number lines.

Our P.E. days are Tuesday and Wednesday. Please send your child in their P.E kits for the day but we ask that they wear their school red jumper. On Tuesday I will be doing gymnastics and on a Wednesday Year 1 will be learning a variety of different ball skills with Mr. Gamble (ASM Sports).

Homework and spellings will be sent home every Thursday and will be due in on a Tuesday. This may be in their homework book or as an online activity on Purple Mash.

Discipline will follow the Good to be Green reward system. Team points will be awarded by hard work and good behaviour, together with stickers and other rewards as appropriate, and we will continue the Star of the Week. We also have a special helper who wears a lanyard and does our special classroom jobs for the day.

To encourage writing we have a super hero writing chair, that the children get to sit on all day when they have tried their best with their writing.

Should you have any queries or concerns concerning your child, please do not hesitate to contact me via the office email (office@st-annes-brownedge.staffs.sch.uk) or send message on class Dojo.

Yours sincerely,

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