



YEAR 1/2 NEWSLETTER AUTUMN TERM 2019-2020

WELCOME TO LIFE IN KEY STAGE ONE!

Welcome to the new school year! We are incredibly proud of how calmly and sensibly the children have returned, ready and raring to go for an exciting year ahead!

CURRICULUM MAP

With this document, you will also have received the Curriculum Map for the Autumn Term. As in previous years, this provides an overview of content for each subject. This year it also gives you information about the 'Challenge Curriculum' topic that your child will be covering and detail of the **key knowledge** that the children will be learning. It would be really useful if you could expose your child to these key facts and support them with remembering these. Our new curriculum is explained online at <https://www.haywards.org/page/?title=Curriculum&pid=9> where you will also find information about the objectives your child will be learning in each of the key subject areas.

IMPORANT DATES FOR THIS TERM

Welcome to Year 2 Meeting: Tuesday 17th September Arrive for 3pm *Y2 classroom*

Welcome to Year 1 Meeting: Thursday 19th September Arrive for 3pm *Y1 classroom*

ERIC (Everyone Reading In Class): come and share a book or two with your child: Thursday 17th October 2:45pm *In your child's classroom*

Y1 Christmas Play: Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th 10am for families – more details nearer the time

Y2 and KS2 Christmas Carol Service: Wednesday 18th December (afternoon)

All dates can also be found on the school website and weekly newsletters also have key whole school dates published. By clicking on <https://www.haywards.org/> you can access these by clicking on News and Events – school calendar or access the newsletters on the same menu.

KEY LEARNING THIS TERM

MATHS

This term in Maths, both Year 1 and 2 will be working on place value. Year 1 will look at days of the week and months of the year as well as finding 1 more and 1 less. Year 2 will consolidate Year 1 learning as well as looking at addition and subtraction.

TOPIC

Our topic is Geography-based this term: We are Great (Britain)! We will be finding out all about where in the world we live.

ENGLISH

In English, we will be working on securing the ingredients of a sentence (capital letter, stop, finger spaces and making sense). We will be working on reading and spelling High Frequency words and learning other spelling rules and patterns. We will develop reading with fluency and encouraging a love of reading.

Computing, Science, RE, PSHE, PE, Music

Please refer to our Curriculum Map on the website for a breakdown of what we will be covering each term in these subjects.



HOW YOU CAN HELP

Independence

In Key Stage One, we are keen to continue the fantastic work the EYFS team do in making the children as independent as possible. Therefore, to support this, we ask that you please say your goodbyes at the classroom door in the mornings so that your child puts their things away by themselves and is ready to get straight on with morning activities.

Reading

Reading at home is crucial in Key Stage One in order to help your child to be a fluent reader with an understanding of what they are reading (comprehension). *For tips on how to read at home, please come along to our Year 1 and Year 2 welcome meetings. A reading handout will be sent home if you are not able to attend.*

Spelling

In addition to supporting with reading, we will now be sending home a termly spelling list. This will be a short list of words which we would like you to practise with your child at home. This could be to practise one word a week or to practise several words over a period of 2 or 3 weeks. Your child will be regularly tested in class with the expectation that children will be able to spell them correctly by the end of term.

Pick 'n' Mix

The Pick 'n' Mix homework sheet will continue to be sent home as it was last year. This will provide you with a grid of activities, linked to our learning in class. The dates will be listed on the sheet to show the hand in (fortnightly) and we would appreciate you ensuring your child's work is handed in on time. We aim to provide a range of activities to suit your child's interests and hope that this could be an opportunity for you and your child to work together on these tasks.

HOLA

A reminder that you can access HOLA (Hayward's Online Learning Area) from home:

<http://www.hola.education/>

This school based website will include links to websites which will support your children's learning in class. It has been updated over the holidays with resources for this term's learning. There are links on there now to Active Learn and AR (Accelerated Reader).

TERM DATES

Term dates for the academic year 2019-2020 can be found by clicking on this link.

<https://www.haywards.org/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=48>

SCHOOL LUNCHES

The latest menu is published on our school website (<https://www.haywards.org/>); Parents/School Meals.

We hope your child enjoys this term!