Welcome to Year 1

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Reading is the key!

Reading in Year 1

- The expectation is for children to read **everyday**. Children **must** bring in their **reading book everyday.**
- Children can change reading books every **Wednesday** and **Friday**. The reading books match the RWI level that your child has been assessed at. Children will also be given a RWI book on a **Thursday** which must be returned by the following **Wednesday**. Children are assessed in RWI termly.
- The expectation is that by reading the same book over and over children are building their fluency. They will begin to recognise words by sight and be able to develop their understanding of the text.
- **Parents need to sign for each read.** Reads will be counted weekly, and totals added to our reading challenge area. One read is counted per day.
- Children who read a total of 100 & 200 times are rewarded with a certificate and a book.

Phonics

- In June, the children will be assessed in Phonics.
- Dartford Bridge follows the Read Write Inc scheme of learning.
- Phonics is a building block towards fluent reading.
- Children will receive phonics sessions four times a week.

Phonics

Mastering phonics is the building block to becoming a successful reader. Children will have learnt set 1 sounds in Reception and in Year 1 will move onto set 2 and set 3.

Children will learn how to decode words and how to blend sounds.

Homework

- You will be able to access homework on **Teams.**
- This will be set up on a **Wednesday.** A homework book will be sent home with details of all logins.
- There will also be homework set on Purple Mash.

Numbots

- Num Bots is an exciting website where children can test their maths knowledge, for example, adding and subtracting numbers up to ten. Log ins will be in the Homework book.

Class Dojo

- These are awarded for excellent work (1 point per each subject) and behaviour (1 point for being on Green, 2 points for being on Sliver, and 3 points for being on Gold).
- A Dojo Master certificate is awarded to the child who reaches 75 points, 150 points, 225 points, 300 points, etc. This certificate is given out during the Wednesday assembly. Children will also receive prizes for each increment.
- Dojo logins will be in the homework book, but you must login to activate your child's account and hatch out their monster.

PE Kits

- In Term 1, Year 1 PE is on _____ **(Indoor)** and _____ **(Outdoor).** This might change in Term 2, but you will be notified by email.
- On both days children will need to come to school wearing their PE kits. They do not need to bring in a change of clothes.
- PE kit – purple t-shirts, track bottoms (plain black) shorts (black) and trainers (preferably black).

PE Kits

- For safety reasons children are allowed only small stud earrings to school.
- Earrings must be removed on P.E. days.

Behaviour

- All children start the day on green.
- Children who demonstrate excellent examples of the DBCPS Values of:
  - Believe
  - Respect
  - Independence
  - Determination
  - Grow Together
  - Excellence

  Children are rewarded by going onto silver or gold.

Behaviour

- Children who are struggling to follow the DBCPS values will be put onto the 'thinking clock' which gives them time to reflect on their behaviour. Children can move back onto green if their behaviour improves.
- Children who are on orange will have time out in the other Year 1 class. Parents will be informed.
- Children who are on red will spend time with a member of SLT. Parents will be informed.
- When children have timeout, they will be expected to fill out a reflection sheet.

School Belongings

- Please label all clothing and other belongings of your child, with your child's name and class so they can be located and returned easily if they are misplaced.

Contact

You can connect with your class teacher using the class DOJO route.

You can also email your child's teacher through the Key stage 1 email, dbcpskeystage1@dbcps.kent.sch.uk

If there is an urgent need to contact the school, please email the office at office@dbcps.kent.sch.uk

Or phone 01322 470678.

Any Questions…