

Welcome to Year 1

Who's Who	Oak Class
	Miss Norgate - Class Teacher

Mrs Keigher- Teaching Assistant
Mrs Browne- Teaching Assistant

Miss Houghton- Teaching Assistant

Beech Class

Mrs Goodchild - Class Teacher

Mrs Watts- Teaching Assistant Mrs Vicarova- Teaching Assistant

Timetable Library Day is Monday.

P.E is taught twice weekly on **Tuesday and Friday.**

Please name every item (even shoes and socks):

Shorts

T-shirt

Socks (particularly girls who wear tights)

Plimsols or trainers (no laces unless they can tie them themselves)

Jogging bottoms and jumper/hoody (plain and dark in colour) – colder weather

No Jewelry – earrings must be removed

Forest school is on Thursday

Your child will go out in all weathers. Please ensure they have appropriate clothing in school for this (wellies, long sleeve top and trousers)

Spelling test will take place on Friday.

Reading

In Year One we continue to teach phonics and reading using the Little Wandle scheme introduced to the children in Reception.

Phonics is taught daily.

Practise reading sessions take place three times a week in school. The children will read the same book which will then be sent home usually on **Wednesday.** The children should be able to read the book with confidence, please do not assume that the book is too easy for your child. We want the children to be able to read the books with ease to allow them to develop other important reading skills.

Reading books must be brought back to school on Monday.

We encourage you and your child to read a variety of books at home to develop reading for pleasure. Children could read a school book, library book from school or a local library.

Please record any reading you do at home in this book.

We keep records of reading progress in school and do not use reading diaries to record when children have read in school.

Children receive a gold star for reading 5 times in a week at home.

When they have collected 5 stars, they will receive a gold card in Friday's celebration assembly.

The number of times your child has read will be counted every **Wednesday** in order for gold cards to be issued on Friday. Please make sure the diaries are in school on this day.

Homework

Spellings will be sent home on Friday's and are linked to the sounds we have been teaching in phonics.

Your child will be given a paper copy of their spellings each week to write on and an electronic version sent via google classroom, for your information.

We test the children each **Friday**, their orange spelling book will come home with them on that day for you to see their scores. Please ensure this book comes back to school on **Monday**.

Help your child to practice their spellings daily at home by using 'look, say, cover, write, check method:

- **Look** at the shape of the word. Can you see any patterns or groups of letters that go together? Are there any words within words?
- Say the words carefully and slowly to yourself. Try to listen for the sounds in the words.
- •Cover the word. Try to picture the word in your mind, closing your eyes might help you to do this. Say the word to yourself again and then write the word down.
- Check to see if it is correct. If the word isn't quite right don't worry, just try again. It can often take a few attempts to get it right.

Homework will be set online via google classroom every half term. The homework set has tasks for different subjects in the curriculum, which also contains difficulty levels

	of bronze, silver and gold. Children are encouraged to complete one task per week and can pick which subject and difficulty they would like to do.
Housekeeping	Please ensue that your child comes to school with a named water bottle each day and that this only contains water.
	We will continue to use our school field during the colder and wetter months and require all children to have named welly boots to use during field time.
	Please make sure your child's P.E kit has been sent in, in full for Tuesday's and Friday's with the appropriate clothing for all weather indoor and outdoor P.E (long joggers for winter and shorts for summer).
	The children's book bags need to be kept neat, tidy and checked for letters/handouts. (no rucksacks please, we do not have the space!)
	Your child will have forest school sessions every Thursday in all weathers. They need to have a set of clothes in school they can change into for these sessions including long sleeve top and trousers.
Curriculum	Please see our curriculum overview on the school website to keep track of what's coming up. You can find this here: https://www.bagshot.surrey.sch.uk/for-parents-carers/curriculum/
Keeping up-to date	Every week we will send 'Peek at the week' to keep you informed of what is happening in class. This will include what is being taught in the lessons, any upcoming events and reminders.
Any questions or queries	Please ask! If you have any further questions, please ask your class teacher. We are always happy to speak with you, the mornings can be a little busy, so after school is usually best.