

LOSELEY FIELDS

PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 1

We have been really pleased with the way the Year 1 children have settled into the new term. They have demonstrated a positive attitude towards their learning and are displaying a growing independence and responsibility in all aspects of their school life.

Topics for the term

	Geography and History	Science	English	Educational Visits
Autumn Term	My School and Me Exploring our local area; looking at maps and plans Life when our grandparents were children	The human body including using our senses and keeping fit and healthy Changing seasons - autumn	Narrative – traditional tales: The Three Little Pigs Little Red Riding Hood The Gingerbread Man If all the world were... by Joseph Coelho	Walk around the local area
	My Island Home Exploring the geography of the UK; looking at maps and atlases	Changing seasons – autumn and winter Weather investigations Exploring with our senses	Narrative – traditional tales: Jack and the Beanstalk The Jolly Postman stories How to Catch Santa by Alex Reagan Poetry – Poems to Perform	In school: Pied Piper Theatre Company

Our classrooms

Phoenix classroom



Draco classroom



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Daily Timetable

The structure and learning in year 1 is slightly different from that of reception and the children have been busy learning the new routines. Each day, in addition to literacy and maths lessons, we will have a phonics lesson, a guided reading session and either science or a foundation subject in the afternoon.

Outside learning

We are lucky enough to have a fantastic outdoor learning environment at Loseley Fields and use this space as part of our learning environment on a regular basis. Please could you provide a pair of wellington boots for your child to keep in school. This will allow them to explore the school field in all seasons. Please also ensure that your child has a coat with a hood in school everyday.



Phonics

The children all have daily phonics lessons where they learn to recognise and apply the various phonemes in the English language. You can help your child recognise these individual sounds based on the sound or sounds in their reading books. Your child's login details for Bug Club will be attached to their reading record. Please speak to a member of staff if you are unsure how to access this.

In June, all year 1 children are tested in their use and understanding of phonics. This takes the form of reading both real words and non-words to check whether they are able to use the different phonemes in their reading. This check is undertaken by a member of the reading team in a relaxed setting and the children themselves are not aware that they are being tested. The results of this check are reported in your child's end of year report.

Please note that the Year 1 Phonics Check is a national statutory test set by the government which all Year 1 children must take.

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Homework

Your child is expected to read to you every day. This does not need to be a whole book, it could be half the book one night and the rest the following night. Please fill in their reading record when you hear them read, this doesn't need to be a long comment it can just be signed. The children should read a range of books, including non-fiction, poems and books from home.

Homework will be given out every half term and will consist of a grid of tasks and activities linked to the children's current learning. There will be 15 tasks to choose from which are then divided into 5 areas. Please help your child choose a minimum of 1 task from each area so that they complete at least 5 tasks over the half term. Homework is due back in the last week of each half-term.

Spellings - In the next few weeks we will start sending spellings home each week. These will be based on year 1 common exception words. Please support your child to practice these across the week.

Maths

Mental arithmetic is of great importance, with a particular emphasis in year 1 on counting up to 100 in different ways, both forwards and backwards. Please help your child by counting as part of daily routines – in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s. Other home learning activities that you can help your child with are those that form part of day-to-day activities, e.g. counting coins and using money, telling the time, measuring using different equipment, spotting patterns and shapes around them, and so on.

Educational Trips

Trips are always a highlight for both pupils and staff. In year 1 these are linked to our science and topic learning each term. Our usual trips are to Marwell Zoo in the spring term, and Wisley and the beach in the summer term. Due to the current cost of Living crisis we understand that many of our families will find any extra costs very challenging so we are considering alternative options this year. We are aware of the importance of giving parents as much notice as possible and will keep you informed about these.

Uniform

The children have started the year looking very smart and your help with this is appreciated. Please remember that jewellery (apart from plain studs) is not allowed in school and shoes should be appropriate for the school environment. Hair gel and closely shaven hair is not permitted along with hair pieces. Mid-length and long hair must be tied back at all times.

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No sweets or fizzy drinks are permitted in school. Children are provided with fruit at break times as a snack and are encouraged to drink water throughout the day.

PE

We have PE twice a week, currently on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Earrings must be removed by a parent/carer before school. Some of these lessons will take place outside. Please provide your child with a tracksuit for these lessons, or a pair of long PE trousers to wear with their school jumpers in the colder weather. These should be plain and labelled. For girls wearing tights, it is helpful to have an additional pair of socks in their PE bags to wear with their plimsolls or trainers. P.E. kits are kept in school until half term. Please ensure everything is clearly labelled.

Please can we also remind all parents and carers that Loseley Fields is a nut free school.

We hope your child enjoys the year ahead. If there are any problems, please do not hesitate to come and see us or email on info@loseleyfields.surrey.sch.uk and your queries will be passed on to your child's class teacher promptly.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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