



KEY STAGE ONE NEWSLETTER



AUTUMN TERM 1



A big welcome to Year One/Two!

We are looking forward to working with you all this year and have lots of exciting things planned. This newsletter provides you with information on what the children will be learning about this half term and some pieces of information you need to know.

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P.E. Days

In Key Stage One the children are required to come to school dressed in their P.E kit on the required days. They will stay in this all day. Some of our P.E. sessions are carried out with 2 different external providers. Firstly, is Mr Halfpenny, who has taught P.E. at our school for many years and for a second year, we have Richard from Nottingham Forest Football Club. Our P.E. days are on a **Monday** and **Thursday**. **This will commence on Thursday 4th September.**

The P.E. kit consists of

- Plain white t-shirt – this must be plain as we DO NOT allow branded/logo clothes.
- Plain black shorts or black leggings/joggers – these must be plain, as we DO NOT allow branded/logo clothes.
- Plain black hoodie or zip-up top – these must be plain, as we DO NOT allow branded/logo clothes.
- Trainers – sport-specific, designed for running/sports, as we DO NOT allow fashion trainers (e.g., Converse, Vans, canvas shoes, platform trainers). These do not provide the necessary support or grip and increase injury risk. We aim to be outside as much as possible for PE, so in colder months, please ensure your child has their coat/waterproof in school. If your child wears small stud earrings to school, they need to be able to remove these themselves for all PE lessons due to health and safety. **Staff at school will not remove them.**

Snacks

Children from Key Stage One can still access free fruit given during the afternoon session. Children will need to bring their own additional snack for morning break. **This must be a nut-free healthy snack. Crisps, sweets or chocolate bars will not be accepted.** Any pots must be labelled with your child's name.

School Day

Please note that children will enter and exit KS1 from the same side of school. Please ensure you stand near by where your child exits to allow staff to see you easier. No children should be playing in the pen before school.

Donaldson Class: Children will enter and exit from the conservatory door.









Murphy Class: Children will enter and exit from the single white door within the pen.

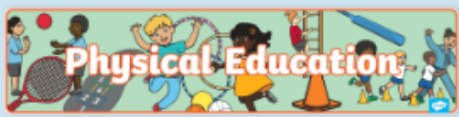
Sharratt Class: Children will enter and exit from the double white doors within the pen.

Please can all parents refrain from standing inside the penned area.

Topic for this half term.

Our topic for this half term is called 'Marvellous Me.' The information below shows what we will be covering in each subject.

	<p>Year 1 – Basic expectations, including writing simple sentences.</p> <p>Year 2 – Julia Donaldson books and sentence writing.</p>
	<p>Year 1 – Number and Place Value (10) and addition (10)</p> <p>Year 2 – Place Value and addition</p>
	<p>Materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Classify and sort the materials objects are made from.• Know the materials “wood”, “metal,” “plastic”, “glass” and “stone.”• Know the names of soft materials e.g. “Cotton”, “wool” and “leather.”• Describe the properties of materials using appropriate language. Know the properties of materials.• Know how materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.• Know why materials are used for specific jobs.
	<p>The Gunpowder Plot</p> <p>Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Know the year of the date of the Gunpowder Plot.• Know the Gunpowder plot happened long ago.• Know who King James I and Guy Fawkes are.• Know that Britain has had different Kings and Queens in the past• Know that historians can use more than one piece of information to find out about the past e.g. books, tv programmes and the internet.• Know how the event of the Gunpowder Plot impacts the present.
	<p>Kirkby in Ashfield</p> <p>*Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK.</p> <p>* Key human features including city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office and shop.</p>
	<p>Painting- Self Portrait</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use a range of materials creatively to design and make products.• Use drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination.• Develop a wide range of art and design techniques in colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space.
	<p>Block 1 Technology Around Us</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify technology.• Identify a computer and its main parts.• Use a mouse in different ways.• Use a keyboard to type on a computer.• Use a keyboard to edit text.• Create rules for using technology responsibly.
	<p>Charanga Topics</p> <p>Hey You Round and round In the Groove Your Imagination Reflect, Rewind and Replay</p>



Monday: Ball Skills

Thursday: Invasion Games



Keeping/Staying Safe
Road Safety
Washing Hands
Relationships
Friendships

Dates

Please continue to check dates on the Key Stage One page on the school website.

- **Wednesday 10th September.** Meet the teacher. This is an informal meeting for you to come and see your child's classroom and ask the class teacher any questions you may have. It is from 3:30 – 4:15pm.
- **Monday 29th September.** All About Me project due in. Please see the separate letter.
- **Wednesday 1st October.** Parents invited into look at the All About Me projects at 2:30pm.
- **Monday 13th October.** Dress up as a historical person. A separate letter is to follow.
- **Wednesday 15th October.** Mansfield Museum are in school to talk about Guy Fawkes and The Gun Powder Plot. A separate letter will follow.
- **Friday 17th October.** School closes at 3:15pm for half term.
- **Monday 3rd November.** Inset Day, school is closed.
- **Tuesday 4th November.** School reopens.
- Please keep an eye on the weekly news on the Year Group webpage for more dates to follow.

Remember

- Label all your child's belongings.
- Send your child with a snack every day.
- Send your child with a filled drinks bottle every day of either water or diluted squash.
- **All packed lunches and snacks should be nut free.**
- School dinners remain free for this academic year.
- You must notify school of anyone different who will be picking up your child. i.e. for a play date etc.
- Your child should have a pair of wellington boots in school.

Personal Details

All details you completed when your child initially started school will continue into Key Stage One. Please ensure that you notify school of any changes to personal details, medical conditions or dietary requirements.

School Website

Please familiarise yourself with the school website, in-particular the Key Stage 1 page. We will put the weekly news and information that is relevant to our year group on here. It is regularly updated.

www.kirkbywoodhouse.notts.sch.uk

Milk

If you wish for your child to have milk, then this needs to be paid for. All the information can be found on the website. www.coolmilk.com

HOME / SCHOOL COMMUNICATION BOOKS

School is no longer issuing a home/school diary. In KS1 we are using slim red books to record spellings and when your child has read in school. If you need to pass a message on to a member of staff, please see them before or after school or email.