



KEY STAGE ONE NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM 1



A big welcome to Key Stage 1

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.

Mrs Hounslow, Mrs Hinchley and Mrs Reeves

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 by Mr Younger from Nottingham Forest Football Club. Our P.E. days this half term are on a **Monday and Tuesday**. This will commence on **Monday 7th 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.

Mrs Hounslow's: Children will enter and exit from the conservatory door.

Mrs Hinchley's and Mrs Reeves: Children will enter and exit from the double white doors within the pen. Please can all parents refrain from standing inside the penned area or allowing children to play in this area.

Please note all OPAL play equipment is not to be accessed before or after school.

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.

	Full stops and capital letters. Books include Superworm, Oi Frog and Peace at Last.
	Place Value
	The Human Body • Know and name parts of the human body (both seen and unseen) • Draw and label parts of the human body • Identify which body parts are used for the 5 senses • Know and name the 5 senses of the human body • Know why exercise and a balanced diet are important
	Cooking – Vegetable Soup Cooking – Vegetable Soup • Think of their own ideas • Explain what they want to do • Use pictures and words to plan • Explain what they are making. • Choose appropriate tools for the task • Cut food safely • Describe the texture of foods • Wash your hands and make sure that surfaces are clean • Think of ideas and plan what to do next • Choose the best tools and materials and give a reason why these are best. • Describe your design by using pictures, diagrams, models and words • Explain what went well with your work • Explain what you would improve • Describe the properties of the ingredients you are using – why have you chosen them? • Explain what it means to be hygienic • Describe the ingredients you used
	Collage – Henry Matisse • Describe artwork and give an opinion about the artist's work. • Ask questions and talk about pieces of art. • Describe artwork by: naming the colours, naming some shapes and describing patterns that can be seen. • Use different types of paper and other media to create collage effects. • Explore and create ideas by copying an artist's style • Create a piece of art in the style of another artist

	Block 1 Machines that Learn • Pupils can distinguish between a regular object and a smart device. • Pupils can sort objects to show how we teach machines using groups. • Pupils understand that machines need clear, step-by-step instructions. • Digital literacy and safety boundaries.
	Belonging • Understand the meaning of community and describe communities we belong to. • Understand baptism and the idea of being welcomed into the Christian community • Express a creative representation of "who I am".
	Monday: Football Tuesday: Dance
	Keeping/Staying Safe Road Safety Washing Hands Relationships and friendships
Other:	Modern Foreign Languages – French Day Trip to the local Library

OPAL

Please ensure your child has a puddle suit or waterproofs in school as well as a pair of wellington boots. Please ensure they all have your child's name written in them.

Your child will also need a spare pair of socks which they keep in their tray.

Dates- [Please continue to check dates on the Key Stage One page on the school website.](#)

Friday 11th September – Flu Vaccinations.

Monday 5th October – Healthy Plate homework due in.

Thursday 15th October – Library visit for each class.

Thursday 15th October – School Halloween Disco

Friday 16th October – INSET Day – school is closed.

Monday 19th October – Friday 30th October – half term.

Monday 2nd November – school reopens

Friday 20th November – Children in Need

Monday 14th December – Breakfast with Santa

Tuesday 15th December – Nativity Performance (AM&PM)

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas dinner day

Thursday 17th December – Christmas Party

Friday 18th December – Last day of term.

Remember

- Label all your child's belongings.
- Send your child with a filled drinks bottle every day of either water or diluted squash only.
- **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.

Personal Details

All the details and information you submitted 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.

We do ask that you return the form attached as to who will be picking up your child or any other adults you consent to picking up your child.

School Website / Class Dojo

Please familiarise yourself with the school website, in-particular the Key Stage 1 page. We will put information that is relevant to our year group on here. www.kirkbywoodhouse.notts.sch.uk

Over the summer you were all emailed regarding our new communication system. Please ensure that you have registered by following the instructions on the email and contact the office if you have any problems. Thank you to those who have done this already.

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

Please note it can take a couple of days for them to appear on our school list.

TOPIC

Please see the attached letter about the Healthy Plate homework.

ADVANCED NOTICE: The children will be visiting Newstead Abbey to celebrate a Victorian Christmas at the end of November. Children are asked to go dressed up as a Victorian child. More information will be sent out during this half term. We just wanted to give notice, so you have time to arrange a costume.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS TO SCHOOL BY WEDNESDAY
9TH SEPTEMBER.

Child's Name: _____

Please note below who will likely be picking up your child on each day.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

Any other adults you consent to picking up your child. i.e. grandparents. Please note this below.

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