

Welcome from everyone in Class 1!



A Message from us all at Flushdyke...

Firstly, we'd like to extend a big welcome back to all of our children and parents after the summer break. A big welcome also to all of our new children and parents. We are excited to have all of the children back together again for the start of a new school year!

We hope that this welcome newsletter provides you with some useful information about your child's class. Even if your child is still in the same class this year, it is important to read on so that you have the most up-to-date information about Class 1. We hope you find this information useful and we look forward to working with you this year to make the best possible difference for your child.

Phonics: This year we are continuing our phonics programme 'Read Write Inc.' to give the children the best possible start to their reading journey in school. For those children in Reception, they will receive high-quality daily phonics teaching every day for the full year. For those children in Nursery, they will be listening to stories, singing songs and soaking up the rich language in class which will help them to make their very best start with Read Write Inc. next year. When children begin to blend, children will bring home a sound blending book. Children will only bring home reading books which exactly match the sounds and words they are currently learning to read in school within that week's phonics lessons. We are excited for children in Reception to start their Read Write Inc. journey!

PE days: Your child will need to come to school on **Tuesdays (starting next week)** in their full PE kit and they will stay in their PE kit all day. Our fantastic PE lessons will be taught by Mrs Rice from FR PE Provision.

General: Please ensure that your child's uniform is clearly labelled and that your child brings a labelled water bottle and their book bag with them to school daily. We love being outside, whatever the weather! Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat, especially as the weather is always changing! Class library day will be introduced shortly - this will be on a **Thursday**. Your child will be able to choose a new library book to share with you at home on a Thursday.

Autumn 1 Provision:

This half term the children will settling in whilst being busy exploring the new areas of provision around our classroom. In the phonics area children will be able to consolidate their learning from their phonics lessons. In our wonderful reading snug, children might curl up and read a book or re-tell a well-known story with a friend and children may like to build and construct in the construction area. Provision will change regularly in relation to current topics and in-line with children's interests.



Homework: This half term the children will be bringing home phonics home work. These will be letter sounds that we have learnt that week to practise at home.

After October half-term, children will bring home two pieces of homework weekly, to be completed in their homework book.

Observations: During your child's time in Class 1 they will have a Key Worker. Your child's Key Worker will change every half term on a rota system between Mrs Cowling, Mrs Gray, Mrs Plews and Mrs Oldroyd.

Staff in Class 1 interact and engage with children in provision. Whilst staff are interacting with children they are also observing. This supports staff to assess children's progress and then facilitates, in the moment, next steps to move your child's learning forward during play.

Staff will observe and document these observations over the half term. These observations will be shared with you on Seesaw. There will be more information shared with you regarding this over the next couple of weeks.

Just in case kit: Spare clothing

We are also asking for parents to put in your child's book bag or bag a 'Just in case kit' from home which needs to include:

- 1 piece of underwear (knickers or pants) and a pair of socks or tights just in case we need to change your child at school if they have an accident or are poorly during the school day.

If you have any questions or you require any further information about your child's weekly routine in school, please don't hesitate to ask. We are looking forward to having a fantastic year in Class 1!
Thank you. Mrs Cowling, Mrs Gray and the Class 1 Team.