

Year 1 Information 2021

If there are any unanswered questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school email system: year1@engayne.co.uk

Collection time: Year 1 finish for the day at 3:10pm and are currently collected from the KS1 playground. Please gather by your class sign for dismissal and keep younger children with you.

Items permitted in school:

- Children will need to bring in their Engayne book bag daily. (No rucksacks please).
- Water bottles to be brought in daily. A sports style cap is much better as less likely to spill. Please label with your child's name. Water bottles can be refilled at classroom taps. Children do not need to bring in any stationery items.
- If sending in a home packed lunch please make sure it is named.
- School dinners are provided free for all KS1 children.
- Hand sanitiser is very useful in the classroom. Please send in a small labelled bottle with your child and they can keep it in their tray.
- Birthday treats are fine to send in if they are individually wrapped items which can be sent home with classmates easily.

Snacks/milk: Milk is only available to those who have paid for the scheme – please notify the office if your child would like to be added to the milk scheme. Free fruit/vegetables are available at play time, a snack from home is no longer needed.

Reading: In class, individual reading will be completed as well as shared reading as part of a lesson time. In due course, we will be sending home a reading book for the children to share at home. Please complete the guidance of three home reads every week to best support your child. Bug Club reads can also be recorded in the yellow diary as part of the three reads per week.

Swimming is every week:

1BC- Monday

1J- Tuesday

1B- Wednesday

PE lessons are every week:

1BC – Thursday

1J – Monday

1B - Tuesday

An additional PE lesson may occur across the week as a year group. Children need outdoor (navy tracksuit bottoms and jumper) and indoor kit at all times. Please ensure that children have plimsolls/trainers in their PE bag. If they have laces, please ensure that your child has practised fastening these at home independently. Names written in PE items and uniform help greatly when locating lost items. The children will keep their PE kits in school and will be sent home at the end of each half term.

Art: We have plenty of aprons at school for messy activities, please don't worry about sending one in from home.

Phonics: Children will be completing phonics sessions every day in their classes. Spelling tests won't be taking place at the moment, this will be reviewed as we progress further into the year.

Phonics Screening Test: In June 2022, children in Year 1 are scheduled to take the national Phonics Screening Check. Children will apply their phonic knowledge to read 40 real and pseudo (alien) words which they need to decode independently.

Homework: After an initial settling period, homework will be set online. Children will be able to choose from a selection of activities on Bug Club and MyMaths. We use Numbots in year 1, rather than 'Times Tables Rockstars' as it is designed for the pupils in KS1. Usernames and passwords will be found in the yellow reading diaries for your use. These will be sent home shortly.

Targets: Personal Maths and English targets will be shared at Meet the Teacher evenings.

Classroom Procedures: Rewards, such as star of the day/week, secret student, stickers, house points and prizes are given by class teachers for following school rules. Warnings are given according to the school behaviour policy. Children are encouraged to use the toilets before playtime and lunchtime in the classroom but free access is available to designated toilets during lunchtime. When using computing equipment, e-safety rules are followed. Please encourage your children to also follow the e-safety rules at home – please refer to the e-safety policy on the school website.

Useful information: Some documents to assist you in terms of reading, spelling and the Year 1 curriculum will be available on the Year 1 webpage of the school website.

Lastly, we would like to say thank you in advance for your patience during dismissal time. We know how difficult it is at the beginning of the academic year. We are very appreciative of your support.

Mrs Clements, Mrs Barrett, Miss Barnes and Miss Jensen