



Welcome to Year 1
at Castlefield School

Teaching Staff

Year Leader - Mr Oakley

Miss MacMillan - 1M

Mrs Azeem - 1A

Mrs Westbury

Mrs Ashfaq

General reminders



- ❖ Children need to come to school in their school uniform with **black** shoes. If your child has laces, please teach them to tie them, otherwise consider velcro ones.
- ❖ No flashing lights on shoes!
- ❖ Please don't wear big bows, excessive hair clips or hair extensions!
- ❖ Gates open at 8:35 and will close promptly at 8:50.
- ❖ Year 1 pick up time is at 3:20pm and the gate closes promptly at 3:30pm. Please be on time.
- ❖ Please make sure you check your emails regularly, as all correspondence will be done through here including trips.

Attendance

- ❖ Children must attend school every day, even if they feel a little unwell - we will send them home if they're too ill to be in school.
- ❖ Absences mean children miss out on important learning and quickly fall behind.
- ❖ Please make sure you're on time every day. Being even 5 minutes late really adds up and children miss out on valuable learning time.
- ❖ No holidays in term time!



Lunches

- ❖ A reminder that hot school meals are free for children in Key Stage 1.
- ❖ Hot school lunches need to be ordered through ParentPay by Wednesday of the week before. **If it is not ordered through ParentPay your child will not get a free school meal!**
- ❖ Please ensure your child has a healthy and balanced lunch, if these are home packed lunches. These need to come in with the children in the morning.
- ❖ We are a nut free school as there are children who have SEVERE allergies. Please don't send anything in with Nutella or chocolate.
- ❖ Children can bring in a water bottle with a sports lid.



Transition to Y1

The Autumn term is a really important transition period in Year 1.

- ❖ Structured mornings with Phonics/Get Writing lessons and Maths lessons.
- ❖ Child-initiated learning in the afternoons and use of the outdoor area.



Transition

- ❖ When year one starts to get a bit more challenging, please help instil a positive work ethic in your child, which is vital for success at a later age.
- ❖ You can do this by telling them that it's okay to make mistakes and that their brain grows the more they do!
- ❖ Encourage them to try their best and find what they really enjoy about school.
- ❖ Help them to feel proud of themselves - we do this with Star of the Week, Superstar certificates etc.

Phonics

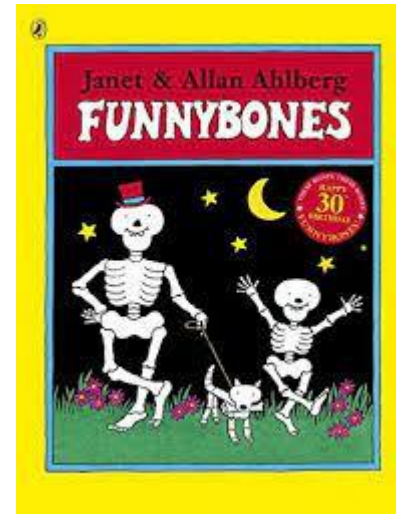
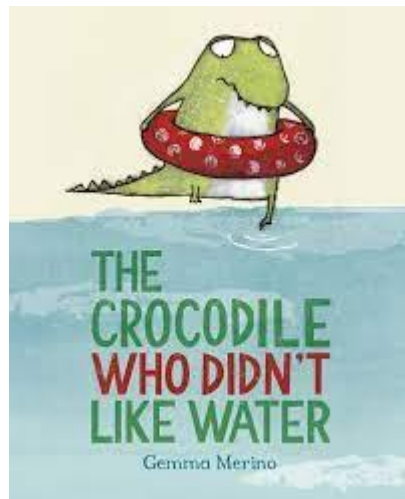
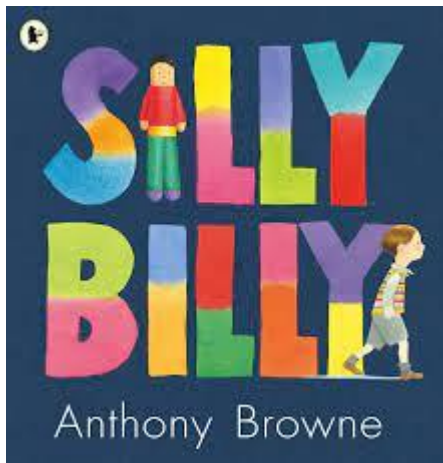
❖ 1 hour Phonics lessons everyday.

Children learn new sounds, read, spell and write words daily. They will also learn how to use punctuation and spelling and grammar rules.

- ❖ All Year 1 pupils will do the Statutory Phonics Screening check in the Summer term. This is made up of real words and nonsense words that the children have to read.
- ❖ Your children will bring home 2 reading books linked to their phonics groups as well as story words and red words from the book they are reading in their phonics group that week.
- ❖ They will now change their RWI book bag book once a week on Mondays to develop fluency.
 - ❖ They can change their library book as and when they finish it.
- ❖ **Parent workshop will be organised in the next few weeks.**

Class Reading

This term our theme is 'Marvellous Me' and we are reading Silly Billy, The Gingerbread Man, Funny Bones, The Crocodile who didn't like Water and Dandelion to name a few.

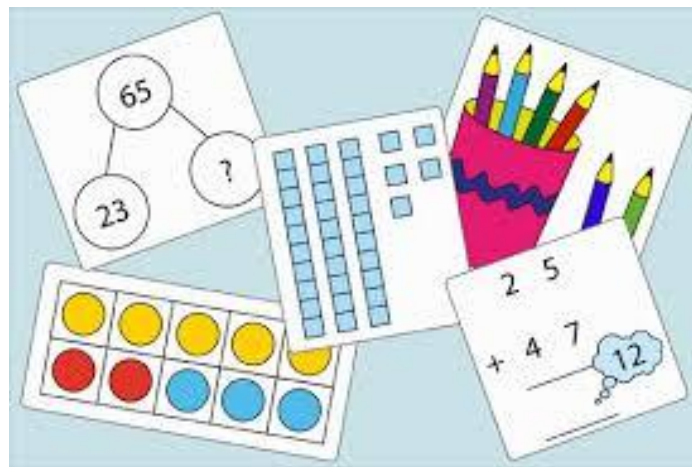


You could look for similar books at the Community Centre Library.

Maths

We follow a Maths Mastery approach in Year 1.

There is a greater emphasis in understanding and manipulating numbers rather than working with bigger numbers. Spend time in sitting with your child and listening to their explanations about their maths work.



Maths



Castlefield School- Maths

Topic: Numbers within 10

Year: One

Theme: Place Value

Key concepts and questions

How do we know the value of each number?

The staircase model helps us to see the value of each number.

If we count up in ones the value gets bigger by one each time. If we count back in ones the value gets smaller by one each time.

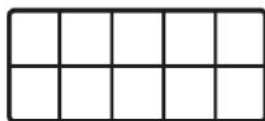


Key Vocabulary

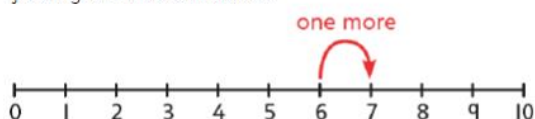
Sort	To organise objects into groups	
Groups	Putting objects that are similar or the same together	
Digit	One numeral	
Count on	Counting forwards from a given number	
Count back	Counting backwards from a given number	
Fewer	less than a given number	
Greater than	Less than	Equal to

Representations

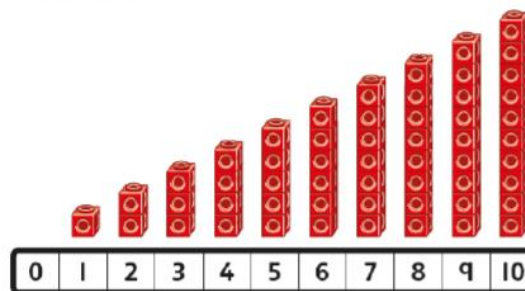
Ten frame: This helps to visualise 10.



Number line: Starts at 0 and supports finding one more and less.



Staircase model: This helps to organise representations of numbers from 1 upwards. It supports comparing and ordering numbers.



Prior learning

Counting on from 5 and using a 5 frame.



Subitising, knowing what is represented without counting.



Wider Curriculum

Topics and Themes for this year are:

- ❖ Marvellous me
- ❖ Superheroes
- ❖ Who lives in this house?
- ❖ Feet, Paws and Claws
- ❖ Magical Monsters
- ❖ Plant Power

- ❖ In the past some of our theme days and trips have included:
 - ❖ Wendover Woods - November 2023
 - ❖ Plant power
 - ❖ Theatre show
- ❖ Our trips and experiences will cost no more than £30 a year, this is less than £1 a week. This is paid all through ParentPay. Please pay on time otherwise we have to cancel.

Curriculum

Science - Weather and Seasons followed by
animals and plants

History and Geography- Our local area

Art - Self portraits in the style of Lichtenstein

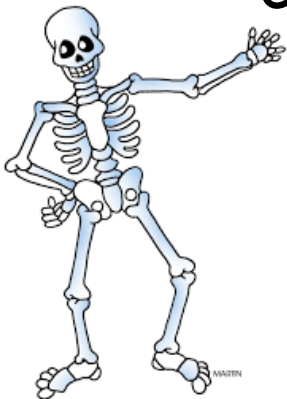
PSHE - Families and Friends

RE- Important People

Music - All About Me

PE - Gymnastics and ball skills

Computing - Logging in and mouse skills



PE

- ❖ Your child needs an appropriate PE kit in school every day, not mufti.
- ❖ For indoor, shorts and a white t-shirt.
For outdoor black tracksuit bottoms, a sweatshirt, socks and trainers. Seasonally appropriate, please.
- ❖ Year 1 PE days are **TUESDAY** and **FRIDAY**.
- ❖ PE kits should remain in school for the half term.



Homework

- ❖ Daily Maths homework will be set on Numbots.
www.numbots.com

Your child should have been given a username and password. If your child does not know their login details, please ask their class teacher.

- ❖ Read everyday with your child, discuss the story and ask questions.
- ❖ Sign the Maths and Reading sections of your child's Reading Journal EVERY DAY.
- ❖ They can also practise reading and spelling their phonics words



The importance of education

- ❖ Education enables all children to reach their full potential and succeed in life beyond school.
- ❖ Education develops children both emotionally and academically to become successful members of society.



Things to do at home

- ❖ Support your child with their daily reading, spelling and Maths homework.
- ❖ Sign their record and send it into school **everyday**.
- ❖ Talk to your child about their school day.
- ❖ Get them to help with Maths in every day life - help with cooking, measuring things, looking at prices in the shop etc.



Finally...

- ❖ Any changes to phone numbers and addresses need to be given to the office as soon as possible.
- ❖ The same applies to any changes in medication.
- ❖ Please label all your child's belongings.
- ❖ Bring a coat to school every day.
- ❖ If there are any problems during the year please contact the office to arrange a meeting to speak to the classroom teacher first, then Year Leader (Mr Oakley) and then Phase Leader (Miss Sutcliffe).

- ❖ There will be Target Setting meetings will take place on **Friday 6th October**, where you can meet your child's teacher and discuss their progress in detail. Further information will follow about this.
- ❖ Thank you so much for coming.
- ❖ These slides will be published on the website.