



**Welcome to Year 1**

# Staff

Class	Teacher
1S.	Miss Singleton
1VW	Mrs Williams (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) & Ms Valerkou (Thursday and Friday)
1C	Miss Clancy

# Staff

## Other Teachers

Mrs Sagan

Mrs Kunjasic

PSD

## Associate Staff

Mrs Carolan

Mrs Rigby

Mrs Pullen

Mrs Llanfear

Ms Esho

Mrs Wood

Mrs Moloney

Mrs Storey

# Curriculum

- **RE-** Prayers are said in the morning, at lunch time and at the end of the day in addition to our weekly lessons and daily Collective Worship. We start our topics with Catholic Social Teachings.
- **English** – Phonics (Little Wandle), reading and writing sessions. We will also cover a range of genres such as: non-fiction, narrative and poetry.
- **Maths** – Number knowledge, the four operations, shapes, simple fractions and measures.
- **Science** - Our topics include: All about me, Animals including Humans, Uses of everyday materials, Plants and Living things and their habitats.
- **Curriculum** – In Geography and History, our topics include: 'Where we live,' 'Inspirational people from the Past,' 'changes in living memory' and 'Map Skills'.
- **RSHE**– Following the TenTen scheme, we will be focusing on keeping safe, healthy lifestyles and exploring our feelings and emotions. At the start of each topic we focus on our British Values.

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- **Music** – We will be introducing children to the families of musical instruments and following the 'Charanga' scheme of music.
- **Art** – We will use the KAPOW scheme of work. Lessons will include drawing, painting and sculpture skills by using a wide range of techniques.
- **DT** - We will design, make and evaluate different products linked to the curriculum including construction, nutrition and hygiene using KAPOW.
- **Computing** – Basic computing/keyboard skills, technology around us, digital painting and writing and using technology purposefully.
- **PE** – Activities to improve team work, coordination, overall fitness, gross motor skills and stamina. Activities include: running & jumping, throwing & catching and gymnastics.
- **PE Days – please send your child to school in their PE kits on the following days:**  
**1S = Tuesday & Wednesday, 1VW & 1C Wednesday. Northwood Gymnastics- Shoes and socks.**
- **Library days – please send your child to school with their bookbags on the following days:**  
**1S = Friday, 1VW = Thursday, 1C = Friday**

# Reading

**Reading at home is a key element for enabling your child to make progress.**

## **Parents' role –**

- Please read the reading scheme books with your child for approximately 5-10 minutes each night and sign their reading record, indicating which book has been read and how they read the book. The children will soon be issued with E-books: the Collins e-library.
- **Please note –**
- Reading scheme books will be changed once a week. Your child will receive their reading books on a Monday and then they will be returned and changed the following Monday.
- The class teacher and teaching assistants will hear individual reading, group reading and class reading.
- Your child will be moved up to the next colour band when the Class Teacher and Teaching Assistant feel that they are ready.

# Homework

- Homework is given out every **Friday**. Printing is optional, work can be completed on any piece of paper you have at home. Once completed the children have a homework tray in their classroom to return homework. Please familiarise yourself with WEDUC.
- RE homework will need to be completed twice every half term. This homework will be handed out by the class teacher and will need to be returned by **all** children.

# Assessment at Sacred Heart

Our Assessment system is based on the **key skills** children acquire and develop in each subject.

These key skills are developed throughout Year 1 – Year 6.

When we report attainment and progress to you it will be based upon how well children are acquiring and applying these essential key skills in their learning.

**We will be letting you know whether your child is at age related expectations or whether they are above or below age related expectations. This is discussed at parents evening in the Autumn and Spring term.**

**We will be administering a phonics screening check in June. More information will be given about phonics screening in the Spring term.**

# Practical Details

## Uniform Policy

- Please ensure all uniform including blue/black coats , PE clothing and jumpers/cardigans are **clearly labelled** with your child's name.
- No earring or watches in school.
- Book bags are to be named clearly and if a child chooses to have a keyring only **one** is permitted.
- Please only send bookbags to school on a Monday & Friday. *1VW- Thursday.*

## Attendance and punctuality

- If your child is absent, please report this via **WEDUC** as soon as possible.
- Registers (absence mark after 9.00am).

## End of day procedure

- Please ensure that you have updated the collection information for your child.

## Communication

- If you want to communicate with your child's teacher, please send an email to [year1@shpsruislip.org](mailto:year1@shpsruislip.org) or message via **WEDUC** to the school office. The teacher will then send a message back via email or call if necessary.
- There will be an opportunity to meet with your class teacher on Tuesdays between 3.15-3.30pm for any minor concerns you wish to discuss.