



**Year 1
St Columba's Catholic Primary
School
2018-2019**

Next year is the start of an important yet exciting year for your child. Please work with us and support your child over the next year.

The start of the day

School starts at 8.45am. Children should be in school by 8.55. If children arrive at school after this, they should report to the office before coming to class.



Absence

Please do not take off any more time than necessary. All learning in Year 1 is vital. If your child is ill, please phone school as soon as possible to let us know.

PE Kit

Children must have their full P.E kit in school at all times.

Jewellery

The school has a no jewellery policy. Staff are not allowed to remove or replace earrings!

Snack

Snack is available from school and costs £1.25 a week. The children can either pay £1.25 to the class teacher or teaching assistant at the beginning of the week or bring in 25p each day. Alternatively children can bring in their own healthy snack.

Water

Every classroom has cups ready for the children to have a drink of water throughout the day.

Supporting your child in English

During English lessons, your child will be reading as a member of a group and undertaking a range of activities to develop their reading skills. Please listen to your child read **every day**. This needs to only be for ten minutes but it is very important.



Supporting your child in Maths

Every day the children will practice and develop their oral and mental skills in addition, subtraction and multiplication. You could help your child if you ensure they complete any maths homework and you could even help



them with counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.

Learning Logs

Each week a small task will be given and it would be really appreciated if you could support your child with this. A comment about any help given is appreciated. Learning Log tasks will be set on a Friday and books should be returned to class by the following Wednesday.

Homework Kit

Could the children please have a kit containing a pencil case, pens, pencils, crayons and a ruler for use at home. This will help the children concentrate using the correct equipment and provide neat presentation tools.

Home-School contact

We ask you to please drop the children off at the Year 1 door where children will be met and welcomed by a member of staff each morning. If you would like to discuss any matters regarding your child, staff are happy to do so during this time if adequate supervision is available within the classroom. If you wish to speak about a personal matter regarding your child, please come and see me in the morning or leave a note in your child's Reading Diary and we will arrange for a meeting to take place after school.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Atherton