



Welcome to Year 1! The children have had a wonderful day settling into class. We would like to take the opportunity to give you some information for the year ahead. In Year 1 our main work will be based around topics and a separate letter will come home each half term with more details on, including a breakdown of the skills for Times Tables that you can work on at home. The topics this year will include: Into the Woods, The Nutcracker, Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes, The Pet Shop, The Ugly Duckling and the Seaside. We will be going on trips during the year or having experiences in class.

P.E : P.E Kit needs to be in school all week. Year 1 will have their P.E lesson every **Tuesday afternoon**. Please remember the rule about removing earrings for any sport. Your child needs a letter if they cannot take part in P.E lessons.

Healthy Snack and Drink : Your child has been given a **water bottle which needs refilling daily at home**. **Healthy snack (toast or fruit)** are allowed if your child is not having school snack and milk. Juice can be sent in but only for lunch time.

Homework and Planners: Your child needs their **planner in daily, with their reading books**. **The planner needs to be signed daily** and any notes written in for us to see. It is important that you read with your child regularly, ideally everyday for 10 minutes. **Your child will be given a set day when their books will be changed**, please ensure that you have signed their planner stating that they have read their books. The homework requirement for Year 1 is **1 hour a week**. Your child needs to read daily and there will be spellings to learn, based on their phonics and spelling needs. Spelling homework will go home on **Wednesday** and needs to return the following **Wednesday**. Your child will bring a **Maths activity home every Wednesday** to be due in by the following **Wednesday**. If your child does not complete their homework then we have a playtime homework club in which they will catch up on the work set. A copy of the **Year 1 Expectations for Learning** was sent home in July after our transition day. This can be viewed on the Year 1 web page <http://www.irlamendowed.salford.sch.uk/year-group-pages>. If you have any more questions, please do not hesitate to contact us in school.

Mrs Lek and Mrs McMahon

(Mrs Lek will teach Year 1 Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Mrs McMahon will teach Year 1 on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.)