



Please ensure your child is sent everyday with a labelled water bottle which holds a maximum of 750ml. Your child will need to wear their PE kit to school on Monday and Tuesday, which includes a school jumper. Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and looks smart in line with school expectations.

**Home Learning:** Home learning will be uploaded on the school website on a Friday for Maths and English (alternate weeks) and children will receive phonics homework fortnightly (or as and when our sound changes) and it will need to be completed by the following Wednesday.

**Reading:** Reading books will be changed on a weekly basis. To ensure fluency please encourage your child to read their book more than once.

You will be notified when monthly visits to Long Lane Library commence.

#### **How can you help your child at home?**

There is an expectation that children read every night of the week, preferably to an adult (this could be an older sibling if necessary).

We ask that you help and support your child with their home learning and give them many opportunities to practise their writing at home.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

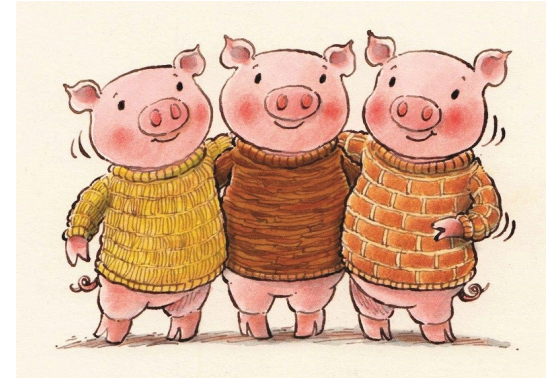
We will be sending a separate letter for important dates and your child's show and tell session.

Visitor from Manna House pantry. Further details to follow.

Local area walk. Further details to follow.

Lego building workshop. 13th November. Further details to follow.

Phonics workshop for parents. 14th November. Further details to follow.



**I'LL HUFF AND  
I'LL PUFF!**

**Year 1  
Autumn Term**



Welcome back!

We hope you all had a lovely summer holiday. This is your child's first year in Key Stage One and we are looking forward to sharing the next part of their school journey with them. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day to help them achieve their full potential and make lasting memories. We look forward to working in partnership with you over the coming year.

Year 1 team:

Mrs White (Phase 1 Leader & Holly Class Teacher)

Miss Hackett & Miss Skidmore (Hazel Class Teachers)

Mrs Aziz (Teaching Assistant)

Miss Sutch (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Waldron (School-based Tutor)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns, we will do our best to answer your queries. The happiness of your child is very important to us all.

Our learning experience:

The theme for our Autumn term learning experience is 'I'll Huff and I'll Puff'. This term we will provide the children with an understanding of different buildings and their uses; buildings from around the world and those we see in our local area. The children will learn about the different materials used to build structures and will create their own free-standing wooden house.



English: We will be looking at a variety of high-quality texts including 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Dave's Cave'. The children will also have the opportunity to write about their home and become estate agents to sell a house. We will also practise our phonics skills in preparation for the phonics screening which will take place in the Summer term.

Maths: We will be focusing on number and place value, as well as learning different strategies to solve addition and subtraction calculations. We will be working within 20 and deepening our understanding of numbers and how they work together to form bonds.

Science: The children will be developing their scientific skills by learning about materials and their uses. The children will be investigating and testing the properties of materials.

History and Geography: In our history and geography lessons, the children will be learning about the buildings and their uses in our local area and when and why different buildings were erected. We will also be learning about the Great Fire of London, how it started and who was involved.

PE: Our sessions this term will focus on gymnastics, games and yoga. The children will learn about rolling and balancing. In games they will be improving their ball skills, including kicking and catching.

The Arts and DT: In art we will be studying the work of James Rizzi and how he uses human features and block colour in his work. The children will produce a piece of artwork using primary and secondary colours. In DT, the children will be designing, making and evaluating a free standing house to solve a problem for a story character.

RE: In RE, we will be focusing on Harvest festival. The children will be learning about how things grow and where food comes from. They will be thinking about how we can help people who are in need and we will also be exploring Diwali-the festival of light.

Computing: The children will be developing their basic computing skills, and we will be supporting them with understanding the different ways we can use technology.