

Year 1 - Helping your child at home



Homework

In Year 1 the children have target homework to practise. The test days will be displayed in your child's classroom window and new targets will be sent home on Thursdays in their red homework folder. This homework supports your child in meeting the national end of year expectations for times tables, spelling and reading. If you or your child have any questions about their targets, please speak to your child's teacher.

We expect all children to read a minimum of 3 times a week. We would like children to read 5 times a week to earn our 'Gold' award for reading.



Caught being gold

A reminder about the school's reward system – children can receive a "Caught being gold" raffle ticket for displaying one of our Golden Rules: honesty, kindness, respect, community and growth. Once a term, one child from each class is drawn in assembly and has the opportunity to go to a bookshop and have an ice cream.



Spellings

New spellings are given out on Thursdays which follow our Rainbow spelling programme. These words follow the National Curriculum for Year 1.



Times Tables

On a Thursday, children will be given a new times table sheet to support them in learning their times tables ready for their test on the following week. The expectation for year 1 children is to be confident recalling facts for x10, x2 and x5 tables.



PE

- Carousel day is on a Friday.
- Year 1 had extra PE last half term and will not have the extra session this half term.



AtL

This year, as part of our marking policy, the school has introduced an AtL (Attitude to learning) mark if they are producing work below their capability. This may be due to poor quality, quantity or effort. E.g. not using full stops and capital letters when we know they can. When children have an AtL on their work, they are required to miss some of their break or lunch to correct or redo the work.



Finally...

If you have any questions about Year 1, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher before or after school.

We've had a great start to the year and look forward to continuing to work closely with you to maximise your child's learning potential.

