



# YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER

## AUTUMN TERM 2023




Mole Class	Badger Class	Fox Class
Miss Mahendrakumar	Mrs Hawkins	Miss Cordery
LSAs: Mrs Fullarton, Mrs Linehan, Miss Kazlauskaitė, Miss Alefounder, Miss Cullen, Miss Noorzai		

**Welcome to Year 1! We hope you had a wonderful summer and that your child is back to school and ready to learn!**

Year 1 is the beginning of Key Stage 1 and therefore, the expectations of behaviour and learning are high. We welcome your support in the education of your child and we believe that working together will enable your child to effectively access the more challenging curriculum.

### Home Learning

- We plan homework tasks very carefully to support and consolidate school learning. Therefore, it is vital that you support and encourage your child to complete the tasks set and communicate with their teacher if they have any problems doing so.
- For additional information on the Year 1 curriculum, please refer to the Long Term Curriculum Overview for Year 1.
- All maths overviews can be located on the school website.
- All home learning for online platforms will be set from week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023.
- Information on home learning projects will be sent out shortly with an expected due date.

- Mathematics
  - Mathletics tasks will be assigned for home learning each Thursday which must be completed by the following Thursday. This will be linked to the maths learning in lessons that week.
  - Maths Shed activities will also be set for your child, with a focus on number bonds and times table  these weekly.

- English
  - Reading – Please ensure that your child reads their phonically matched reading book regularly on **Collins ebooks** and that this is recorded in their reading record. These books will be set online on a Friday. A sharing book will be sent home twice a week with the reading record on a Tuesday and Friday. This will be a book that you can enjoy reading to your child. Please ensure your child's reading record is in school every day.
  - Spelling – A Spelling Shed activity will be set each day, linked to the phonics learning that day. Your child needs to spend 10 minutes each day practicing these spellings.
- **Usernames and passwords are stuck in your child's reading record.**

### PE Days & PE Kits

**The expectation is that your child comes into school in their PE kit on PE days.**



Please ensure each item of your child's PE kit is clearly labelled with their name and no jewellery is worn on PE days.

Fox Class: Tuesday & Friday

Mole Class: Tuesday & Friday

Badger Class: Monday & Thursday

### Marvellous Me

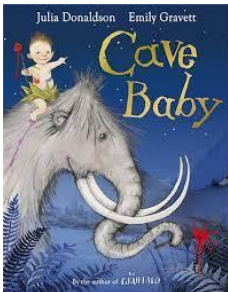
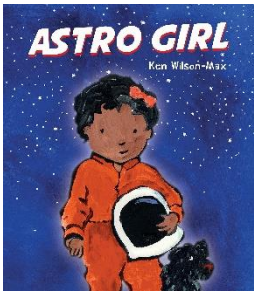
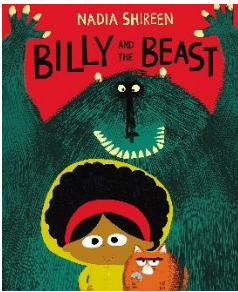
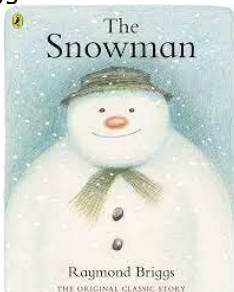
 Marvellous Me will be used to send out key  information as well as celebrate your child's success. It is essential that you are signed up to the app and that you check it regularly.

### Important Dates

27 <sup>th</sup> September	EYFS and Yr1 Phonics workshop- 3.30pm
5 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Service for children
6 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr1 Share our learning- 2.45pm
12 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr1 Brooklands Museum trip
18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening
20 <sup>th</sup> October	Last Day of Half Term- Normal finish
23 <sup>rd</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
30 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd Socks Day
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner & Jumpers Day
13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity- Badger & Deer parents
14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity Fox & Hedgehog parents
15 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity Mole & Squirrel parents
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Term – Finish at 2pm

**More information on key school events such as parent consultations will follow.**

At APPS, we follow the Literary Curriculum from Literacy Tree, which places quality literature at the core of English teaching. Below are the texts that Year 1 will study over the course of the term. If you are able to discuss the books with your child as we study them, it would really support their learning. All books are available from bookshops and local libraries. Please refer to the whole school text overview on the school's website for the texts studied in the spring and summer terms.

Autumn 1		Autumn 2	
Cave Baby by Julia Donaldson 	Astro Girl by Ken Wilson-Max 	Billy and the Beast by Nadia Shireen 	The Snowman by Raymond Briggs 

## Coming Soon: Celebration of Autumn Term Learning

For further information or queries, please check the school's website or twitter accounts.

Website: [www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk) Twitter: @Ashford\_Park

Should you have any queries, please contact the office on [info@ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk)

We are very much looking forward to working with you to give your child the very best learning experience at APPS.

Year 1 Team

Miss Cordery, Mrs Hawkins, Miss Mahendrakumar, Mrs Fullarton, Mrs Linehan, Miss Kazlauskaitė, Miss Alefounder, Miss Cullen, Miss Richardson, Miss Noorzai