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Year One Silver Birch & Elder

Autumn Term

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My Day at School

When I come into the classroom, I will organise myself by putting my water bottle into my coloured group tray. Each morning I will take out of my book bag my reading record and my reading book, any letters for my teacher and any homework I need to hand in.

We will begin the day with a busy fingers activity. Once we have done the register, we will complete our Morning Maths, followed by running The Daily Mile. After some Mindfulness, our Phonics session will begin. Immediately after our Phonics learning, we complete our Reading Practise. English and Maths will predominantly take place during the morning session. Our topic work, including: Computing, Art, History, Music, D&T, P4C, PSHE, RE and Geography will usually happen in the afternoon.

During the first half of the Autumn Term (until October half term), we will continue with our DARE TO learning. This will be an opportunity for us to explore a range of planned activities throughout the classroom including role-play, the reading corner, construction, Arts and Crafts, Science Activities etc. We will eat our afternoon snack during this time too.

As well as The Daily Mile - where we run for up to ten minutes together at a pace that suits us, we have a playtime in the morning. This helps us towards the daily recommended one hour a day exercise all children should have.

At the end of the day, I will put my reading book and any letters back into my book bag so please remember to check it each night.

What will I learn?

This year our topics will be:

	1 st Half	2 nd Half
AUTUMN	Ourselves	Celebrating Differences
SPRING	Toys	India
SUMMER	Superheroes	The Great Outdoors

PE

	Autumn 1 Fundamentals and Fitness	Autumn 2 Ball Skills and Sending and Receiving
Silver Birch	Tuesday morning	Monday afternoon
	Wednesday afternoon	Wednesday afternoon
Elder	Tuesday morning	Monday afternoon
	Thursday afternoon	Thursday afternoon

PE Kit



I need a pair of black shorts, black or white trainers/plimsols and a red t-shirt for PE. On colder days, I will also need a school tracksuit or pair of black tracksuit bottoms or black leggings, and a jumper (preferably without a hood) as we will do outdoor PE. My PE kit should stay in school and just be brought home at the end of each half term to be washed. All of my PE kit should be labelled as it is easy for me to get it mixed up with other children's when I get changed. If I am wearing tights to school, I will need a pair of socks in my PE bag. It is important that I have the skills to

change by myself so please make sure I can fasten my own shoes.

Home Learning

I will have a short home learning activity which I will bring home on a Friday and will need to hand in by the following Wednesday. This might be a Phonics, Maths or Topic Challenge.

Please encourage your child to complete this piece of learning as it prepares them for their future learning as they move through the school.

Reading

I will read to an adult in school regularly, often through our daily Reading Practise Sessions, where I will work with an adult three times a week. My reading book, which I will take home, will be checked and can be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Books will only be changed if they have been read at home — please record this in the orange diary. It is important that my reading record is always signed with a comment to help my teacher know how I am progressing with the book. Whilst I am reading shorter books, please try to read my book with me three times (before changing it) for: decoding, fluency and comprehension. Ask me questions about the book - do I understand what I am reading? As I move onto longer books, which might have chapters, three reads of the same book will no longer be necessary.

Similarly, to Reception, please remember that I have an on-line reading book which my teacher assigns to me every week. You will find a user guide for the Collins ebook website, where I will be able to access each book, attached to this letter.

Username – ukyorkereggiecarter (replace with your child's name)
Password - Reading1

Stamps

On a Monday, my teaching assistant will put a stamp in my reading diary if I have read and my diary has been signed at least 4 times during the previous week. Once I have 10 stamps, I will receive my bronze reading award, 20 stamps the silver reading award and 30 the gold reading award.

Library Books

Every Thursday, we will visit the school library where I will choose a library book and bring it home. I need to bring my book back to school the following Thursday so that I can choose a new one.

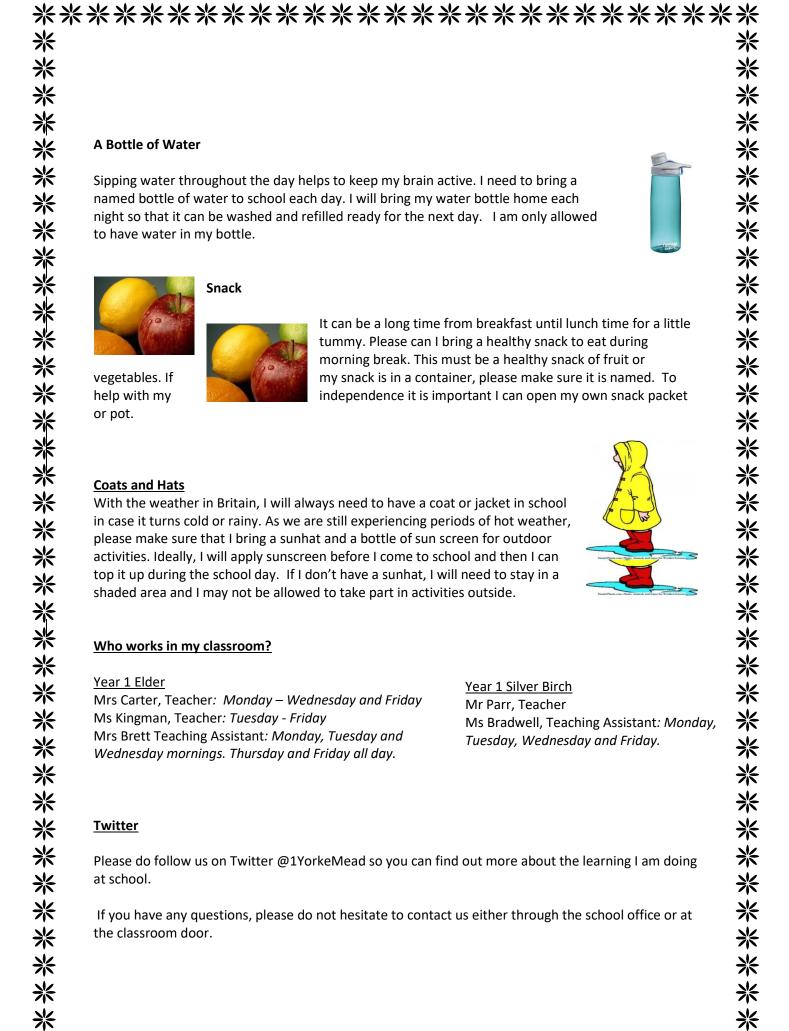
Uniform:

Please make sure that all items of my uniform are clearly marked with my name. I can only wear plain stud earrings, no other jewellery or nail varnish should be worn in school. If I have long hair, it must be tied back. Please see our uniform policy for more information

Things to bring to school:

A small rucksack or book bag

I need my book bag and reading book **every day**. To keep our reading books in good condition please **DO NOT** put water bottles into my book bag. I should not bring in anything from home that I have not been asked to bring in, **this includes toys and fidget toys**



A Bottle of Water

Sipping water throughout the day helps to keep my brain active. I need to bring a named bottle of water to school each day. I will bring my water bottle home each night so that it can be washed and refilled ready for the next day. I am only allowed to have water in my bottle.





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Snack



It can be a long time from breakfast until lunch time for a little tummy. Please can I bring a healthy snack to eat during morning break. This must be a healthy snack of fruit or my snack is in a container, please make sure it is named. To independence it is important I can open my own snack packet

Coats and Hats

With the weather in Britain, I will always need to have a coat or jacket in school in case it turns cold or rainy. As we are still experiencing periods of hot weather, please make sure that I bring a sunhat and a bottle of sun screen for outdoor activities. Ideally, I will apply sunscreen before I come to school and then I can top it up during the school day. If I don't have a sunhat, I will need to stay in a shaded area and I may not be allowed to take part in activities outside.



Who works in my classroom?

Year 1 Elder

Mrs Carter, Teacher: Monday – Wednesday and Friday

Ms Kingman, Teacher: Tuesday - Friday

Mrs Brett Teaching Assistant: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Thursday and Friday all day.

Year 1 Silver Birch

Mr Parr, Teacher

Ms Bradwell, Teaching Assistant: Monday,

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Twitter

Please do follow us on Twitter @1YorkeMead so you can find out more about the learning I am doing

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us either through the school office or at the classroom door.

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