

Yorke Mead Primary School



**Summer
Year 1**

My Day at School

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

We will begin the day with busy fingers and then will usually do our guided reading, phonics and maths in the morning. Our English and our topic work including art, history, music, geography etc. activities will usually happen in the afternoon. We do try to link our work together so where we can we link subjects to our topic.

We have a playtime in the morning and during the afternoon. This helps us towards the daily recommended one hour a day exercise all children should have. We also take part in the daily mile each day. We all run for ten minutes together at a pace that suits us then add up how many miles we have run as a class.

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 we will do the following topics:

	1 st Half	2 nd Half
AUTUMN	Ourselves	Festivals of light
SPRING	Toys	India
SUMMER	Minibeasts	Superheroes

This year we will have two theme days where we will spend a day taking part in a range of different activities based on our theme to enhance our learning. We invite the children to dress up for these days if they wish. There will be an India day (children can dress in the colours of the Indian flag, as an animal from India, in traditional Indian dress) in the Spring Term and a superhero day in Summer Term 2 (children will be invited to dress as a real life or fantasy superhero). We will send out more information about these days closer to the time.

Home Learning

I will have a short home learning activity, which I will bring home on Friday and will need to hand in by Wednesday. Each week I will have spellings to learn and a piece of either English, maths, topic or phonics work to complete. I should also regularly practise counting in my 2s, 5s and 10s at home.

Reading

I will read to an adult in school regularly, but this will often not be my home reading book. My reading book will be checked, and my book changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Books will only be changed if they have been read at home and this has been recorded in the reading diary. It is important that my reading diary is always signed with a comment to help my teacher know how I am getting on with the book. As I go through Year 1 my books will get longer and I may just read a few pages and talk about these each day but please still record in the diary how much has been read.

On a Monday my teaching assistant will put a stamp in my reading diary if I have had my book signed at least 4 times 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.

Things to bring to school

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.



PE Kit



I need a pair of black shorts, black trainers/plimsols and a red t-shirt for PE. As the weather gets colder, I will also need a school tracksuit or pair of black tracksuit bottoms or black leggings, trainers and a sweatshirt 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. My PE days are **Elder – Wednesday (due to forest school) Silver Birch – Wednesday and Friday**

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.



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 and if possible, another for the afternoon play. If my snack is in a container, please make sure it is named. To help with my independence it is important I can open my own snack packet or pot.

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, and if we have a warm spell please can I bring a sunhat for outdoor activities. If I don't have a sunhat, I may not be allowed to take part in activities outside.



Forest school

This term it is the turn of Year 1 to take part in forest school. During summer term 1, Elder class will be having forest school lessons one afternoon a week then in summer term 2 Silver Birch will have their turn. More information regarding forest school will be sent out separately.

Who works in my classroom?

Year 1 Elder

Mrs Bates Teacher Monday - Wednesday
Mrs Barnes Teacher Wednesday – Friday
Mrs Brett Teaching Assistant – mornings
Ms Kingman Teaching Assistant - afternoon

Year 1 Silver Birch

Mr Parr Teacher
Mrs Ronanova Teaching Assistant

Twitter

Please do follow us on Twitter @1YorkeMead so you can find out more about the learning I am doing at school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us either through the school office or at the classroom door.