

KS1 Curriculum 2017–2018



Welcome to Class 1

As a team, we are dedicated to bringing learning and the curriculum alive for your child by providing them with a wide variety of learning opportunities.

Curriculum

The morning lessons will be more structured for Year 1 children. However, to enable your child to receive an enriching curriculum and to aid with the transition from Early Years, the structure of the afternoons will be based around a topic such as Science or Art and allow the children to enjoy both child initiated tasks and teacher led experiences. The Year 2 children will equally be suitably planned for and challenged to ensure that they receive the high level of education that we provide at Stanton Harcourt Primary School.

Phonics / RWI Spelling

We use Jolly Phonics to teach Letters and Sounds, this helps children to segment and blend words for reading and writing. Should your child express an interest in any of the interactive phonics games we play in school, here is a list of some of the websites we use:

www.starfall.com

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/wordsandpictures

www.phonicsplay.co.uk

[Mr Thorne does phonics](#)

The system for spelling sight words will be new to most parents. The children practise their spellings using a system of 'Look, **SAY**, Cover, Write, Check'; their particular set of words will be in a grid and forms part of their homework. We ask that you support your child in this which need not take long (5 mins), but if completed regularly will have a noticeable impact on their writing.

Year 2 children who have met the required standard in phonics in Year 1 will move onto the RWI Spelling scheme.

Reading

Each child will have a reading book which they can change when necessary and with support if required. We know that you will also be reading with your child at home and as our School Library is now fully functioning we will be encouraging them to also choose a Library book to share and enjoy at home. These books may be poetry, non-fiction or simply wonderful picture books. It is not intended that your child should read these to you but that the book should be enjoyed together. We would ask that your child has their book bag in school every day so we can listen to them read at any time the opportunity arises; it is also important to ensure that any correspondence arrives home safely.

It is the aim for each child to be listened to twice a week by a class teacher / teaching assistant, either individually or in a small group (called 'guided reading groups') and this will help to develop book talk and reading comprehension skills.

Routines

8.40 am	Doors open – children come in and a directed activity will take place.
8.50 am	School starts. Registration. If you arrive after this time please take your child to the office to be registered.
10.15-10.30 am	Morning break with snack provided.
12.00-1.00 pm	Lunch
1.00-3.10 pm	Child initiated and teacher-led activities / timetabled activities
3.10 pm	End of the school day.

PE Days: Monday (indoor PE) / Thursday (outdoor PE with Ignite sports)

Please remember that your child needs A NAMED indoor and outdoor PE kit in school which should remain in school for the term. *(A full uniform list is available on our website)*

Indoor kit plain white t-shirt (no logos), plain navy/black shorts

Outdoor kit plain white t-shirt, plain tracksuit and trainers.

If your child wears small studs for pierced ears, please could you make sure he / she can remove the studs himself / herself for PE. If this is not possible, please could you ensure that your child does not wear studs on PE days? Many thanks.

Water bottles

It is important that your child brings with them a drink of water in a named water bottle every day. This of course may be filled or re-filled at school as the need arises. Juice or any other drink is not appropriate within the classroom setting.

Going Home

If your child is going home with someone different please see the class teacher or TA at the start of the day, or notify the school office. If it is not a family member we would ask that you put permission in writing to ensure the safety of all children. Please do not send brothers and sisters to collect KS1 children. If your child is walking home with a Year 5 or 6 brother or sister, please ensure I have a copy of the written permission.

Polite reminder: Your child should not be bringing unnecessary items into school for example toys or teddies, as they may be lost or damaged.

We are looking forward to a fun and successful year and would like to thank you for your continued support – The KS1 Team.