

Dovedale Primary School



Welcome to year 1!

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome you and your child to Year 1. After a long enjoyable summer holiday I hope your child is ready to embark upon a fun and exciting year of learning. All the children have settled into their new classrooms.

Here is some key information on the day to day practices and other information that you may require.

Maths

This term we will be looking at number within 30 using a range of representations. We will be counting forwards and backwards, comparing and ordering numbers and understanding and using the language more/greater, less/fewer and equal to. Homework has been set for this half term to support learning covered in class.

English

We aim to inspire our children to write using the book Traction Man. We have planned lots of fun activities such as exploring the 'dirty sink' through messy play and creating our own fantastic character names while using capital I letters correctly! We will be forming simple sentences in our lessons and using Clever Cat to make sure our letters are the correct size. To support your child we need to TALK like a writer. Make up stories, invent characters and use good story language.

Reading

Just a few minutes reading with your child each day makes a huge difference. Please ensure your child has their reading book in school every day and record comments in their diary. Reading a book several times really helps with the fluency and comprehension skills so we ask that the book is read **twice** before being changed. Support on the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check can be found on the school website.



PE/Clothing

PE lessons will take place Friday each week. Children are to come into school wearing their PE kit.

Homework

Please send homework books into school every Wednesday to be checked. They will be sent back home every Friday.

Parent helpers

Please send a note into school if you are able to come in during the afternoon on a regular basis to help listen to readers. Please indicate the day which would best suit in the letter. Many thanks!

School website/Twitter

You can find homework and guidance on the school website www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk and you can keep up to date with our learning by following us on twitter [@DovedaleY1](https://twitter.com/DovedaleY1)



Thank you for your continued support.
Kind regards,

Year 1 Team

'Imagine, Believe, Achieve'

YEAR 1 Newsletter—Autumn 1 (2018/19)