

Year 1 Newsletter September 2021

Welcome back! Remember to check our school website and Class Dojo for regular updates www.greatwoodcommunityprimary.co.uk



Curriculum

The first few weeks will be getting to know the children, making sure they feel safe and confident in our environment and getting used to our indoor and outdoor areas. Our topic is All about Me. The children will be learning all about themselves including the different parts of their body, what the senses are and how to keep themselves healthy and happy. We will be talking about our families and also thinking about what life was like in the past.

It would be great if you could provide a photo of your child as a baby and also any family photos which show how things were different in the past—grandparents may be the best to ask! For example, clothing, transport, electrical equipment, toys etc. **Please only send copies, not originals!**

English work will focus on developing sentence writing, looking at stories with familiar settings and using our senses to write poetry.

In Maths we will be working on number knowledge and place value and doing addition and subtraction calculations.

PE sessions are on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Reading books

All children should now have a reading book. This may be a different colour band than they had in reception, please do not worry! My aim initially is to develop their confidence and fluency after the break and this will be reviewed regularly. It is really important to try and read with your child at home. Remember, you do not just have to read the school book at home—any book is fine!

Clothing

Please ensure all of your child's belongings are named. As we will be using our outdoor area, children will need a water proof coat (with a hood) and suitable shoes that can be cleaned easily if they become muddy.

Spellings

We will not be starting spellings straight away. I will send a note home to let you know how we will be doing these in the next couple of weeks.

Outdoor area

We now have a fabulous new ramp and door and are working hard to make our outdoors a fantastic learning area. We are looking for any of the following items, thank you in advance.



