

Meet the teacher

WELCOME



SCHOOL

Teaching staff

Teacher

- Miss Bevan

Teaching Assistants

- Mrs Head (every morning).
- Mrs Edwards (Mon, Tues, Thurs afternoon).
- Mrs Govier (PPA cover).

1:1s

- Mrs Corrine
- Mrs Gazzard

Changes from Reception to Year 1

- More structure, which will gradually increase throughout the year.
- Increased independence throughout the year.
- Morning break time.

Year 1

Routines

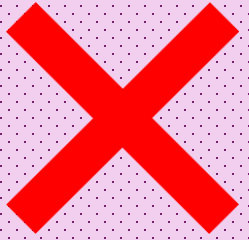
- Children will line up on the main playground to be taken into the classroom by myself at 8:45am.
- We will walk through the red link doors into the cloakroom where coats and bags will stay on their pegs, then into the classroom to begin the day.
- Collection at 3:15pm from the Year 1 classroom fire exit door.
 - Once I see you, or your child points you out, I can let your child out of the classroom.

Routines

- Daily phonics, English, maths, and guided reading.
- Afternoon subjects change depending on the day.
- Snack is provided, but children can bring a healthy snack if preferred.
- Water bottles and uniform to be named.
- Spare clothes in a named bag, if needed.

Indoor shoes

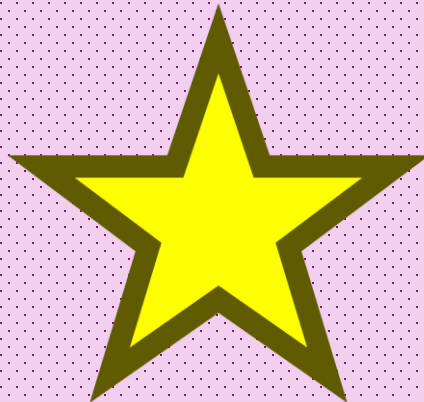
- I am happy to allow children to bring in an indoor pair of shoes to wear in the classroom.
- They can wear crocs, or something similar (easy to put on, no laces) in the classroom, as especially when it turns colder and wetter, less mud and dirt will be dragged through the classroom from their outdoor shoes.
- Outdoor shoes will then be worn:
 - To and from school.
 - At break and lunch times.



Behaviour in school

Good behaviour: Rewards

- Star jar – reward days when filled
- Extra golden time
- Merits – bronze, silver, gold
- Star of the week – milkshake with Mr Varney
- Value superstar
- Headteacher's trophy



Consequences for not following expectations:

- First then last warning
- Time outside classroom – explain to teacher/TA what has happened
- Time in another classroom
- Mr Varney's office
- Parents involved
- Playground issue – time off playground

PE Days

- Tuesday – outdoor PE.
- Friday – indoor PE.
- Every Tuesday before Christmas, Watford FC will be coming in to run a PE session with Year 1, which will substitute one of their PE sessions.
- Children will need to be in the school PE uniform on both of these days.



Reading

- Book bags to come back to school every Friday.
- Books will be changed, and new ones will be given out each week.
- Children to read every day, is possible, as this will help with phonics, literacy, sentence writing and structures, as well as cross-curricular.
- Reading records to be written in with the date and notes of when and how your child is reading.



Reading

- Year 1
'Recommended Reads' list.
- We have lots of these in school and a rotation of these are in the book corner all year round.

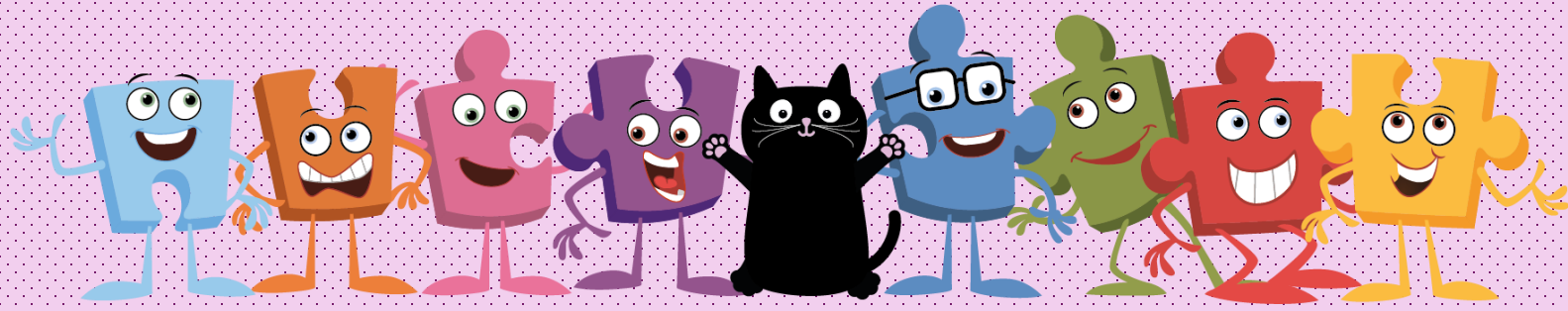


Phonics



- Daily phonics → Monday to Friday.
- In Summer 2, the National Phonics Screening Check takes place
 - W/C 8th June 2026
- Reading as much as possible with your child will increase the likelihood of them passing this.
- More information will be sent out closer to the time.

PSHE



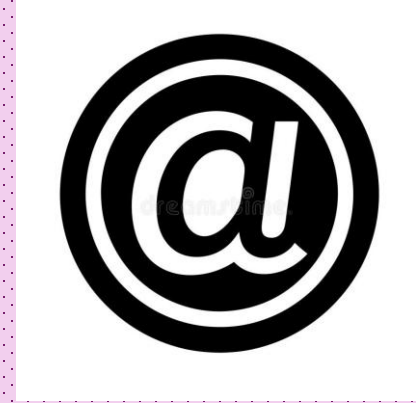
- This is one of the lessons Mrs Govier will be doing as it falls when I have my PPA/ECT time.
- The topic this half-term is 'Being me in my world'.
- Open discussions about the relevant topic.
- At the end of Year 1, the topic will be 'Changing me'.
 - This will go into life cycles, body changes, boys' and girls' bodies, learning and growing, and coping with changes.

Topics for all other subjects

- Computing – Networks
- Design and Technology (DT) – Smoothies
- English – The Invisible and Traction Man
- Maths – Varied topics
- Music – Toys
- PE – Watford FC Session and Dance
- PSHE – Being me in my world
- RE – Creation
- Science – Materials
- History – Toys, then and now



Communication



- Seesaw or email
 - teacher1@stpauls909.herts.sch.uk
- If the message is regarding the following, please contact the office, who will let me know of the change - [admin@stpauls909.herts/sch.uk](mailto:admin@stpauls909.herts.sch.uk)
 - Absence
 - Change in adult dropping off in the morning.
 - Change in adult collecting at the end of the day.
 - After school club attendance.

Seesaw



- Please log in and check this regularly.
- Photos and videos from our day will be uploaded regularly, alongside the children's work and general daily activities.
- I will also use this to update and announce events that may be taking place.

Homework

- Homework grid with different activities to complete at home.
- Please upload pictures or videos of this homework to Seesaw!
- Continue with reading at home.
- Gradually, when we feel is appropriate, spellings will be sent home which will follow the phonics scheme.
 - You will be informed well in advance about spellings prior to the time they are rolled out, as well as how this will work.

Assessment Terms

- WTS – Working towards
 - Working below the expected range for their age.
- ARE – Age-Related Expectation
 - Working at the expected range for their age.
- GDS – Greater Depth
 - Working above the expected range for their age.

Nativity

- Year 1 will be involved in the KS1 Nativity.
- More information will follow closer to the time, but just FYI!!!



E-Safety

- Although we discuss and cover the importance of staying safe online at school, it is important to discuss this at home too, especially with the rise of technology.



Questions

