

Dates to remember:

Date	Event
Tuesday 31 st October	Ruislip Baptist Church Visit
Friday 3 rd November	Monster Disco
WB. Monday 6 th November	Parliament Week Remembrance Day Activities Diwali Celebrations
Wednesday 8 th November	National Gallery Free Workshop 1DA (in school)
WB. Monday 13 th November	Anti-bullying week
Tuesday 14 th November	Mary Seacole Workshop (in school)
Wednesday 15 th November	National Gallery Free Workshop 1AM (in school)
Wednesday 15 th November	Banji Alexander Author Visit
Thursday 16 th November	St Paul's Church Visit
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Friday 24 th November	Free Cinema Trip (Details to follow)
Wednesday 29 th November	National Gallery Free Workshop 1CL (in school)
Monday 4 th December	Christmas Jumper Competition Deadline
Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Jumper Day (Details to follow)
Thursday 7 th December	KS1 Christmas Show (Details to follow)
Friday 8 th December	
Monday 18 th December	Pantomime in school
Wednesday 20 th December	Last day of the Autumn term for children. School Finishes @ 2pm
Thursday 21 st December	Staff Training Day (Children are not in school)



Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023

Edition 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope the following information is of help to you. The aim is to give you more detailed information about activities and events taking place in Year 1 this half term.

We look forward to working with you and your children in the lead up to the Christmas holidays and hope that you all managed to have a safe, restful and enjoyable half term.

The Year 1 team

Welcome back!

The children have settled back into Year 1 and we are extremely pleased about the learning that is happening in our classes.

This half term we are looking forward to learning all about nurses and we will be reading a variety of stories to support our learning in English. In science, we will be continuing to experiment using our five senses: smell, taste, touch, sight and hearing. In maths, we will be following the White Rose schemes of work that will focus on addition and subtraction. We will be answering the key question, 'How has nursing changed from the past?' in our humanities lessons.

Trips and visitors' information 2023/24: We will be planning and organising some exciting trips for your child for the Spring and Summer term in Year 1. As you will see on the diary dates, we have already planned some exciting free workshops and events too. We will update you on these in the future.

Home learning timetable: In Year 1 the children will be given home learning each week on a **Friday**. The children will be expected to complete these tasks and evidence should be uploaded via Google Classroom (a photo) by the following **Wednesday**. Each week we will provide the children with different short tasks to complete, these will be a variety of practical, speaking, drawn or written tasks to help support their learning from the week or in preparation for next week. On occasions this home learning maybe due over a longer period of time so the due date will be made clear on the home learning. Your class teacher will write a comment on the piece of home learning for you and your child to see.

	Handed out	Due in
English	Friday	Wednesday
Maths	Friday	Wednesday
Reading	Minimum five times per week	
Topic	At the beginning of the half term (see website)	Throughout the half term (see website)
Spellings (from Spring term)	Weekly	Tested in class

Uniform: The children are looking very smart in their uniform but we have noticed lots of uniform that is unnamed. Please ensure all uniform, water bottles, PE kits and book bags are named.

P.E: Children are expected to have their named PE kits in for PE days. Class teachers will send the PE kits home at the end of each half term to be washed and these should be returned after the half term. Below you will find the day your child's PE lessons are.

	PE days	
1AM	Monday	Wednesday
1DA	Monday	Friday
1CL	Monday	Tuesday

Please make sure your child is practising getting changed at home, as children should be working on their independence in this area. We have found lots of children need help with buttons and shoes so please practise at home. If your child is unable to tie shoelaces please do not bring in shoes with laces until they have learnt.

Information about Reading Books: You will find your child's reading book in their book bag along with their yellow reading diary. Please make sure that the book and reading diary are in your child's book bag every day. Once you have read with your child at home please sign the yellow reading diary so that we know you have read with your child and then we will change their books in school. We change books on a Friday and return by the following Tuesday.

Please make sure the yellow diary is signed on a weekly basis; if the diary is not signed we will NOT change the reading book.

Contacting your child's class teacher: If you need to speak to your child's teacher please contact the school office or talk to the teacher on the door. You can also email the teachers via the year group email: year1@ladybankes.school and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Reminders:

- If your child would like to purchase a book from Banji please return the slip and money by Tuesday 14th November.
- Christmas jumper competition deadline: Monday 4th December.