
Reception to Year 1 Transition Booklet

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, what a fantastic year the children have had in Reception! We are proud of the progress they have made. It is my aim to make the transition from Reception to Year 1 as happy and as smooth as possible. Hopefully this booklet will help to answer some of the questions that you might have. Please take the time to look at this booklet with your child and talk about the pictures and expectations in Year 1. Often when transitioning it is easy to think about everything that will be different, however it's just as important for the children to focus on everything that will be the same too!

There are several key transition events that are happening in the final term in Reception.

1. Children will be involved in circle times to learn about transition and given opportunities to discuss their feelings and prepare for the future.
2. Mrs Smith will be visiting the children to meet them and spend some quality time with them in their reception classroom.
3. There will also be a Class transition morning where children will spend time in their new class.
4. Reception and Year 1 teachers will be having discussions and handover meetings so that all important information and assessment is passed down.
5. During the first term when children come back from the summer holiday, there will be an opportunity for parents to 'Meet the Teacher' and to find out more about the expectations in Year 1.

I hope your child will settle quickly and happily, continuing to develop into independent successful learners. I look forward to working together with you. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes,

Mrs Smith

Class 2 Teacher

Welcome to Class 2!

Hello children, I hope you are having a lovely summer holiday! When you come back to school you will be in year 1 in Class 2. I will be your Teacher and Mrs Smirthwaite will also be in class 2 to help you. We are both very friendly and can't wait to see your lovely smiles everyday!



Mrs Smith

Arriving at school

School starts at 8.50 am. I will be in the playground at 8.50 am to greet you and your parents. You will line up in the main playground outside Class 2 when the bell rings. When you come into the classroom you will put your coat and bag on your peg. Then we will begin the day with the register just like you did in reception.

Picture of Class 2 and where you will line up



Where you will put your coat and bags

Learning time

Learning in year 1 may feel different to reception but there are lots that will stay the same. At the beginning, there will still be time to play because playing and learning are so important. We will often learn together on the carpet. Then you will complete learning at your tables. You will have a table space to do your learning and a book for each subject that your amazing work will go in. You will have different resources at your table to help you do your learning such as pencils and pens.



Classroom 2



The tables in Class 2



The outside play area in Class 2



The school hall and also where lunch is served.

Lunch time and play time

Lunch time and playtime will stay the same. You will eat your hot dinner or packed lunch in the hall from 12 noon until 12.30pm. Then you will have playtime until 1pm. You will also have a morning playtime and an afternoon playtime in the big playground.



Toilets

In our classroom we have toilets for you to use just like reception. There are also sinks to wash your hands. You can go to the toilet whenever you need it, just remember to tell a teacher first.



Home time

We will usually end our school day with collective worship. This is a quiet and peaceful time to reflect on our day. We will sometimes have whole school collective worship in the hall. Then it will be home time at 3.20pm. Your grown-ups will be waiting to greet you in the main playground to hear all about your amazing day!

I hope this booklet has helped you feel ready for year 1. We will have an absolutely brilliant year, I know it! I am looking forward to seeing you soon and hearing all about your summer adventures.

Mrs Smith
Class 2 Teacher