



Dear parents and carers,
Welcome back and Happy New Year! We would like to welcome you back to school after the Christmas break for another half-term filled with great learning.

Staffing team and classes

Teaching Staff

Diamond Class – Miss Chin
Emerald Class – Miss Jeffers
Ruby – Mrs Thompson
Supporting teacher – Mrs Edington

Support staff across KS1

Mrs Spivey
Mrs Greenaway
Miss Wormald

Curriculum and Learning

Our curriculum question for the half term to ignite curiosity and learning is “**Why do we love to be beside the seaside?**” We will explore this question through reading the book ‘**The Lighthouse Keeper’s Lunch**’. This will form the basis of learning in **English** for children in Year 2, and in Year 1 will focus on the texts ‘**Sally’s Limpet and A Trip to the beach**’ to support their learning. We will be further exploring this question in **History** by looking at how holidays have changed over time and in **DT** we will be designing and making a windmill found in windfarms at sea.

Other curriculum focuses include:

Maths – Year 1 - Place Value (1-20) Year 2 (Shape and money)

Science – Materials

Computing – Programming

RE – What makes some places special for believers?

Citizenship – Keeping safe and managing risk indoors and outdoors

PE – Gymnastics

Music – Musical vocabulary (Under the sea)

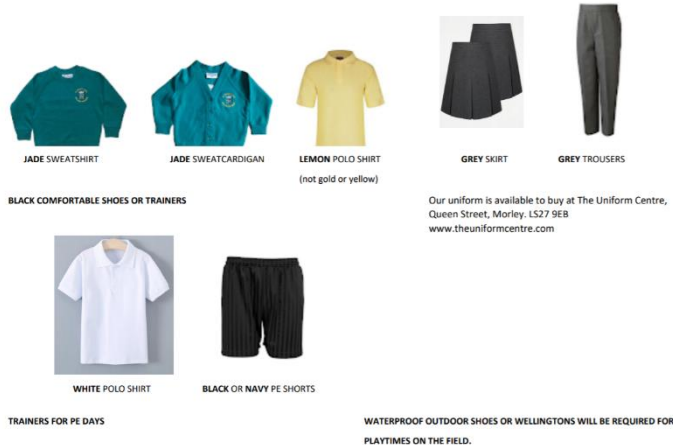
Curriculum Enhancements

- Visit to our local church – date TBC

Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you for a great start to the year with arriving and collecting on time, this is very important to us and your children. Children should arrive at 8:55am at their correct door. If you arrive after 9am should go to the main school office to sign in. Please remember to let us know if someone different will be picking your child up.

Uniform: Your child must attend school in the correct uniform.



PE days for this half-term

All children in KS1 will have PE on a **Tuesday and Friday** this half-term.

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct PE Kit, they should be wearing a plain white T-shirt with no logos or pictures on.

Reading books:

Reading books should be returned on a Friday each week. If you have still not signed a 'book contract' for your child to have a reading book, please speak to your class teacher.

We have already had some books which have not been returned, please check your child's book is up to date, or you will be charged £4 for a lost book.

Playground safety before and after school:

A kind reminder that dogs need to wait outside the school gates and not brought onto the playground.

Scooters and bikes should be pushed around the school grounds and not be ridden up and down the paths.

We are very much looking forward to a great half-term of learning, and having a happy, successful and fun time in Key Stage 1.

Kind Regards,

Key Stage 1 team

Contact details if you have anything you would like to discuss over email:

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