

Class One

Meet the Teacher Team

Who we are:

- Miss Cass - Teacher - Mon - Fri
- Mrs Bevin - Teacher - Wed
- Mrs Doyle - TA - Mon - Fri
- Mrs Dwan - TA - Tues - Thurs
- Miss Hinton - TA - Fri AM

Making the transition from Reception to Class One

- A similar environment to Reception with opportunities to initiate activities independently
- Access to areas of learning within the classroom - writing corner, reading area, small world, construction and creative area.
- Stimulating learning environment
- Practical activities which promote independent learning and consolidate learning

Curriculum Overview

In Class 1 we study 5 broad topics:

Autumn Term - All About Me & Wonderful Woodland

Spring Term - Terrific Toys & To the Rescue

Summer Term - Let's Set Sail to Africa

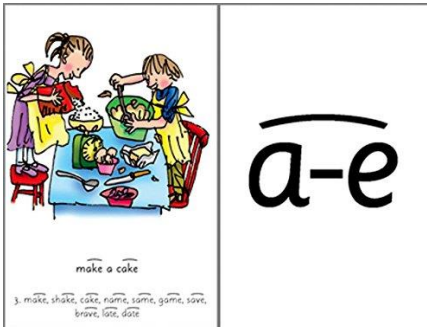
To support your child's learning at home please encourage them to carry out their own research using books or the Internet. A more detailed outline of topic coverage will be posted on our class page of our website each term (www.thegrangeprimary.com).

Provisional Trips - Woods - (Autumn 2)

- Knowsley Safari Park/ Chester Zoo - Summer term

Phonics - RWI

- Read Write Inc - includes rhymes and flashcards for each sound.
- The children in Class One complete daily phonics lessons to support their reading and writing skills.
- In Year One children take part in the phonics screening test which assesses the children reading. Children may be practising some nonsense words to help them with their blending.



Reading

In Class One children will bring home three different books.

- A **decodable** book linked to our whole school phonics programme, or in some cases, children may bring home phonics flash cards or worksheets instead.
- An additional reading book that is not linked to our whole school phonics programme and in some cases this book might not be fully decodable so adult support will be needed.
- A book from the library which is of specific interest to the child. This book will need to be read by an adult.

The decodable book will be changed every three days in line with the school phonics programme.

Homework

For the 2021-2022 academic year, the homework requirement will be as follows.

Reading - Every day (reading records should be signed by an adult)

Spelling - Monday to Friday (spelling sheets will be sent home)

Common Exception Words (CEW)

In your child's Reading Record book there are Year 1 and Year 2 CEW, please help your child to read and spell these words.

From time to time teachers may set other homework tasks

Attendance & Punctuality

- **Holidays should not be booked during term time**
- Arrival time for all classes is 8.45 a.m. children must be in class at 8.55 a.m. when the register is taken.
- Children in Year Two and above may attend breakfast club from 8.15 a.m. in the hall. Breakfast items can be purchased from the counter.
- If your child is unable to attend school, due to illness, please telephone the school office.
- If you haven't contacted school our Home-School Liaison Officer will contact you.
- If your child has an appointment (medical or other) could you please send a letter or appointment card into school with the details.
- A variety of attendance awards are given to classes and individuals with the best attendance.

COVID-19

It is still crucially important that you inform us immediately if your child tests positive for COVID 19.

If you or a member of your household has tested positive, your child **MAY STILL COME TO SCHOOL**

Uniform

- Please ensure your child is always dressed for school in the correct school uniform.
- Could you also ensure that all uniform and belongings are labelled with your child's name.
- Trainers are NOT allowed to be worn for school. However, children may bring in trainers to change into at break-times.
- Jewellery (apart from watches and small spherical stud earrings) may not be worn.
- Children with long hair should wear it tied back. Please avoid large brightly coloured bows and hair accessories.
- Please ensure haircuts are appropriate for school.
- Nail varnish should not be worn in school.
- Children should use our school book bags or bags of a similar size. Due to limited space, larger satchel / handbags style bags are not allowed.

Book Bags

Please ensure that you check your child's book bag **every day** as important letters or information may be found.

Fire Drill and Lockdown Procedures

- For health and safety reasons, every year we have a number of fire drills to ensure that our procedures are as efficient as they can be should the school ever have to deal with a real emergency situation
- A lockdown drill will take place during the year and all children will be informed in an assembly prior to the drill. This should help to ensure that no children become distressed during the exercise.

Relationships and Health Education

We now deliver Health and Relationships lessons using Discovery Education's Health and Relationships curriculum. The curriculum covers the statutory requirements for teaching primary Health Education and Relationships Education. It contains lessons for teaching all aspects of the guidelines and the non-statutory aspects of Primary Sex Education at an age appropriate level.

Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from Sex Education lessons delivered as part of statutory Relationships and Health Education.

If you would like a copy of an overview of the curriculum for your child's year group, please contact the school office.

ParentPay

Payment for all school activities e.g. lunches, trips and visits etc. needs to be made using ParentPay.

We do not accept cash payments.
Please be sure to activate your ParentPay account (details from the school office)

Letters with a Permission Slip

Some letters are sent home with a permission slip attached that needs to be sent back to school. Please only send the permission slip back to school and **retain the important information on the letter for future reference.** This will help to avoid unnecessary telephone calls to the school office.

Website

- Please visit our school website regularly
www.thegrangeprimary.com
- On you'll find lots more information about school.
- There are shortcut links to Espresso Learning.
- Children also have access to TT Rockstars and Purple Mash
- Individual log in and password details can be found in your child's Reading Record.
- Working on these websites, particularly with your support, will have a positive effect on your child's learning.

Newsletters

- A detailed weekly newsletter can be found on the school website every Friday. It contains all important information and details of upcoming events.
- Paper copies of the newsletter are available on request from the school office on Fridays.
- It is always best to consult the newsletter before telephoning school as it is likely to contain the information you need.

Communication

- If you need to speak to any member of the Class One team we can call you before or after school starts. Please either send your child with a note into class requesting a phone call or ring the school office who can arrange a telephone appointment for you.
- Please ensure the front office has your most current address and phone number.
- If you change your mobile number let us know so that we are able to contact you by text message.

Finally

If you have any concerns or issues during this year please contact a member of the Class One team by phone or email using our Class One email address below and we would be happy to discuss these with you.

When contacting us via email you must use your child's Gmail account (in your child's reading record) not your own personal email account.

classone@thegrangepprimary.org

Many thanks for your support