

Information for Parents



Welcome to KS1!

At Deptford Park, we believe that good communication and partnerships between school and home are key to children's success at school. This booklet will provide you with key information. Please keep an eye out for other communication from the school, text messages, letters and newsletters to keep up to date.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch!

Meet the team!

Teachers:

Year 1/2 Yellow Class Amanda Pippard (School Improvement Lead and Year Group Lead) yellow@deptfordpark.org	Year 1/2 Purple Class Safiya Bent-Wynter purple@deptfordpark.org	Year 1/2 Red Class Sarah Raine (School Improvement Lead) red@deptfordpark.org
Green Hub Intervention Space	Rose Hub Intervention Space	Blue Hub Intervention Space
Year 1/2 Cover Support Jennifer Stokes		

The Timetable:

In the first half term, children in Year 1 will be going through transition (some formalised learning supported by creative play and discovery, similar to their learning in Reception) in their new Year 1/2 class. After half term, they will start more formalised learning:

AM: Writing, Maths, Reading and Phonics

PM: Foundation subjects (Science, History, Geography etc.)

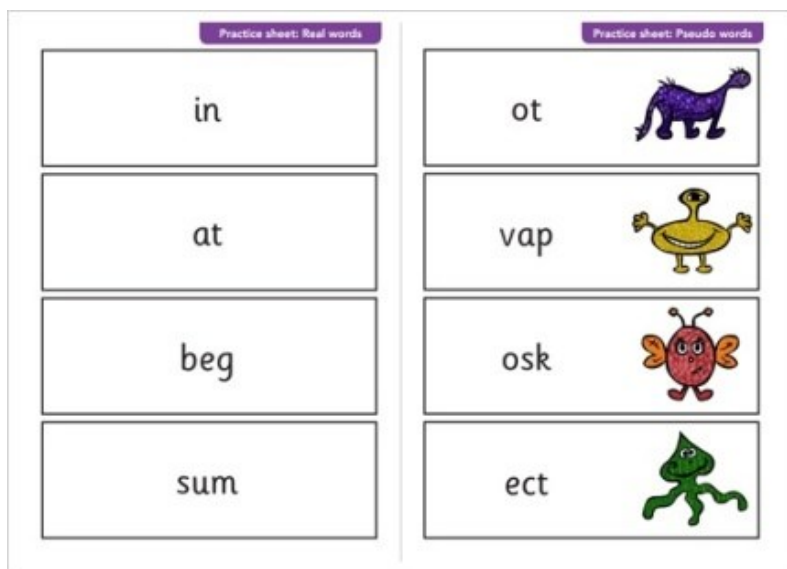
Phonics

In June, children in Year 1 will be taking a Phonics Screening Check.

The children will take this assessment on a 1:1 basis with their class teacher, and will be asked to read 40 words: 20 real words and 20 pseudo (made up) words.

Phonics is taught every day, so your child will be well prepared. Please help them by reading with them at home, asking them to carefully sound out the words. Teachers will also be sending phonics homework home throughout the year (but not on a weekly basis).

There will be a meeting nearer the time, when we will be able to tell you more information about the assessment check to make sure that you feel confident to support at home! In the meantime, please talk to your class teacher for further support.



Homework

Homework is a fantastic way to share learning with your child.

Every Friday, 3 pieces of homework will be given:

Typically:

- English
- Maths
- Grammar and punctuation/Phonics

They will be set on Google Classroom. There is a video on our website to help you access it, please speak to your child's class teacher if you need more support.

It is very important that your child completes their homework, as it really helps their progress at school.

Other homework may be sent home occasionally, for example in the lead up to any tests.

**YOUR CHILD'S CLASS TEACHER WILL LET YOU KNOW
WHEN HOMEWORK SHOULD BE HANDED IN**

Reminders!

Your child should be in school uniform every day.

Don't forget:

Book Bags! (School book bag
or a black or navy small
back pack)

A coat when it's cold or raining!

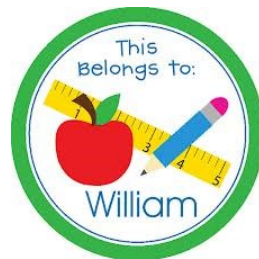


P.E. kit (please come to school in your P.E. kits on P.E. Days):

Navy or black shorts and a navy/black/white or pale blue t-shirt (a jumper and jogging bottoms if it is cold) and black/white/navy



Please remember to name your child's belongings!



Book Bags

Please remember to check these every day for letters and notes home.

Inside the book bag there will be:

- A reading record
- 3 books (2 decodable, 1 free choice)
- Any other materials given to your child by their teacher to support their learning



Reading with your child for a short time (10 minutes) every day is so important.

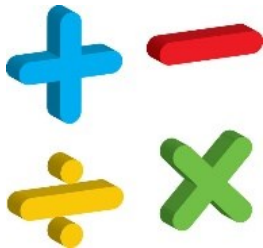
Please aim to listen to your child read **every day** and make a comment in their Reading Record.

Reading Records will be checked by an adult at school regularly. We have a school library, but it would be great if you could join your local library if you haven't already done so.



Spellings

- Spellings will be assessed once a week.
- Spelling lists will be given out weekly with the homework.
- Please support your children in practising for these assessments as they are very important!



Fluency Bee



- Quick re-call maths is taught every day. This includes doubles, time tables and number bonds.
- Please support your children in practising for these assessments, there are lots of fun online resources including mathletics that will help them.

Positive Behaviour

Good behaviour is expected at all times at Deptford Park School. You can find our behaviour policy on our school website.

Our three main core values are central to our Behaviour Policy:

Respect • Kindness • Integrity

These core values are taught throughout the school.

We take a positive approach to behaviour management, encouraging children to do the right thing, and reminding them of past good behaviour, and to learn from their mistakes.

Children are put on the recognition board in their classrooms for their exceptional work and efforts, and for going above and beyond.

Assessments:

Throughout the school, assessment is ongoing and administered in a way that's not stressful for our children. Assessment is mostly informal and are important to help staff to understand what your child knows and what they need to learn to improve. We think it's important to involve your child in this process.