Welcome to Year 1

Sparrows & Goldfinches





Staff

Sparrows

- Class Teacher: Miss Beattie
- Ms Mukhtar
- Mrs Berry

Goldfinches

- Class Teacher: Mrs Teodoridis
- Mrs Juric
- Mrs Sharkey

School Times

Start Time: 8.30am – 8.45am (drop off on the playground)

The bell will ring at 8.45am and children will be taken to their classrooms.

- End Time: 3.15pm (In the courtyard)
- Children will be dismissed from:

Sparrows: Hall door

Snacks

- No snacks are needed from home unless your child is staying to an afterschool club. Then it may be a piece of fruit.
- The children in Year 1 are provided with a fruit snack each day.
- Please ensure that your child brings a clearly named water bottle to school each day. This can be refilled in the classroom.

PE

- PE will take place on Wednesdays.
- Children should wear their PE kit to school on that day.
- Earrings should be removed or taped over.
- No hoodies.
- Please ensure all P.E. kit is named with your child's name including trainers.
- Swimming Lessons will take place in the Spring Term. More information to come.

Curriculum

The Year 1 Curriculum builds upon the knowledge that your child has learnt in the Foundation Stage. Learning will look similar to Fledglings in Autumn Term with lots of opportunities to learn through play. With more formal learning being introduced in Spring Term.

On your child's class page you will find:

- Class timetable.
- Curriculum coverage across the year.
- More detailed overview for the current academic term.

Topic

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
How am I making history?	How have explorers changed the world?	Castles
What is the weather like in the UK?	What is it like to live in Shanghai?	Our local area

Science

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Seasonal changes (Winter/Autumn) Animals including humans	Materials Plants	Seasonal changes (Spring/Summer) Scientists and Inventors

Phonics

- Phonics is the process of decoding and segmenting in order to read and write.
- We follow Little Wandle Letters and Sounds as our phonics programme. This is a DfE validated scheme.
- Children will have daily whole class phonic lessons.
- Please check on Tapestry for weekly Home Learning sheets.

Reading

- Your child will read in a group 3 times a week. Their reading level is linked closely to their phonic knowledge, meaning that they should be able to read 90% of the book independently.
- On Day 1 children will focus on decoding and understanding vocabulary. Day 2 will look at prosody and Day 3 will concentrate on comprehension. At the end of the week your child will bring this book home as an eBook.
- In addition, your child will bring home a sharing book on a Monday. This book is intended for you to read together so please so not worry if they can not read it. Please return this on Friday and please sign and date the reading record book each time you hear your child read.
- The children are reading a range of texts in school and learning lots of new words in Literacy. Ask them to share their knowledge with you and see if they can remember any of the new vocabulary they have been practicing. You can also support your child by practising handwriting. It would be useful if your child was able to independently write simple sentences about the story they have just read.

Contact Details

- Please upload work completed at home on Tapestry as well as news and things your child would like to share.
- If you need to get in touch to discuss your child with us, please email the school office (office@secfs.org.uk) and Mrs McElroy will forward any information to the appropriate teacher.
- We hope you're just as excited about the upcoming year as we are!