



Year 1
Miss Williams
Autumn Term 2026



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the start of what will be a fantastic year in Year 1. We hope you have all had an enjoyable Summer and are ready for an exciting year ahead. In Year 1 this year, Mrs Smalley will support the children in class. Over the year, we will be working very hard and having lots of fun along the way. If you have any questions, then please remember I am always here to help; either speak to me at the end of the day, contact me via class dojo or email the school office:

office@harwood-meadows.bolton.sch.uk

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We are...

Aspirational
Resilient
Kind

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

- Read with your child at home. If possible, at least 3 times a week. Please remember to sign your child's reading record.
- Practise spellings, number bonds and number facts.
- Encourage your child to develop their independence, remembering their water bottles, packed lunches and coats, as well as fastening coats and laces.
- Remind your child to hand in any letters or reply slips to their teacher.
- Check your child's reading wallet each day.
- Check Class Dojo for any messages and updates of learning.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

TUESDAY is our P.E. day. Please come to school dressed in your PE kit (navy shorts and red t-shirt). Earrings must be taken out at home, please. Also, please can children bring in either pumps or trampolining socks, to leave in school. We will use these when we are in the hall for PE. Some weeks we will have an additional PE lesson on a **Thursday**, I will let you know when this is via Class Dojo.

UNIFORM: Please make sure that your child's uniform is clearly labelled; we have so many children that items of uniform and P.E. kit are easily lost. Children with long hair must have it tied back in a hair bobble.

WATER BOTTLES: Please make sure that children bring a clearly labelled water bottle into school each day. This should be water and not juice.

HOMEWORK: Will be sent home each Friday and is due back each Wednesday.

SNACK: All children in KS1 are offered healthy fruit each day, these vary from raisins, pears, apples etc. You can also send your child to school with a healthy snack in addition to this e.g. fruit, yogurt, breakfast. No nuts please.

READING BOOKS: Reading books will be changed every **MONDAY**. Please bring your child's reading book into school every day.

SPELLINGS: All children will receive spellings on a **MONDAY**. These will be sent via Class Dojo. They will be tested on these spellings at the end of the week, on **FRIDAY**. The spellings will be related to the book they are reading that week. Please practice writing them in the green spellings books, writing the words 3 times each.

Library Book (100 Books Challenge): The children will choose a book to bring home from our library on a **FRIDAY**. These can then be shared at home and returned to school the following **FRIDAY** so the children can choose another one.

READING BOOKS

Your child will bring home a Read, Write, Inc. book bag book which is linked to the level they are working at. The books are closely linked with the book read in school and offer additional practise reading the graphemes taught that week. Please read with your child every day and sign their diary. Reading books will be changed at least once a week and a new book will be allocated. Children will read at different times during the week, therefore, please ensure your child brings their reading book and diary to school every day. Your child will also bring home a book from the 100 Books Challenge to enjoy together.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Friday 18th September** – Individual School Photographs
- **Wednesday 16th September** – Meet the Teacher (3:45/ 4:15)
- **Friday 23rd October** - School finishes at 3:30pm for 1 week half term
- **Monday 9th November** – Back to school
- **Tuesday 24th/ Wednesday 25th November** – Parent Conference (EYFS/ KS1)
- **Friday 11th December** – Christmas Jumper Day/ Christmas Dinner Day/ Christmas Fair
- **Tuesday 12th December** – Victorian Christmas – Turton Tower
- **Wednesday 16th December 2pm** - KS1 Nativity performance
- **Thursday 21st December** - Christmas Parties
- **Friday 18th December** – School finishes at 2pm
- **Monday 4th January 2027** – Back to school

SUBJECT OVERVIEWS

MATHS: Place value (to 10); Addition and Subtraction within 10; Shape.

ENGLISH: Curious Quests – Basic Skills; Narrative; Using 'and'; Letter Formation

SCIENCE: Animals including Humans; Seasons

HISTORY: Toys

GEOGRAPHY: Weather and Seasons

COMPUTING: Digital Literacy -E-Safety; Digital Citizenship - Logging on and off; Typing; Keyboard Skills

PE: Fundamentals and Gymnastics

PSHE: Being Me in My World and Celebrating Difference.

RE: Key Questions – Who do Christians say made the World?

MUSIC: Hey You! – A Celebration of Old-School Hip Hop.

ART: Whole School Art Project - The Tool Shed; Jine Dine – Drawing using pencils

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY: Puppets

SCHOOL RULES

Ready...Respectful...Safe

CLASS DOJOS



Children will earn dojos in class all year towards their bronze, silver and gold badges.

50 dojos = Bronze 100 dojos = Silver 150 dojos = Gold 200 = Platinum

If you haven't signed up already, you will receive a parent sign up code so you can follow your child's progress.