

# Welcome to our Primary 1C Newsletter!

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Hello and welcome to Riverbank Primary. I hope you have enjoyed the summer break and got some time to enjoy family time! I am pleased to say that the children are settling in well and are ready to learn some new and interesting things.

## INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDY

We are going to be busy this term and are looking forward getting to know each other and will be working on a class topic called "People Who Help Us" in the run up to the October week. We will also cover "My Senses" through a science theme.

## HOMEWORK

Homework will begin on Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Sept and further information will be in the homework jotter and booklet.

**Homework wallet** ~ Two reading books will come home on a Monday and should be kept at home and read each night, then returned to school in the wallet on **Friday**, ready to be swapped with new groups in class for the next week.

Please also help your child to become as independent as possible with pencils, jackets, zips, buttons and scissors.

## NUMERACY

We will be working on many areas in maths over the coming year. This term we will be looking at: number recognition and formation, number through Number Talks, Data Handling, Shape and Pattern.

Here are a few useful websites:

- [Number formation](#)
- [Counting games](#)

## Dates for your diary

Sept weekend ~ Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Sept

Dress Down Day ~ Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Oct

October Week ~ Mon 16<sup>th</sup> ~ Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Oct

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

### Primary 1 will have PE on Monday and Thursday.

One of our PE sessions is held outdoors (Thursday), therefore suitable outdoor clothes (tracksuit/joggies/hoodie) and suitable footwear are needed for this. A waterproof jacket may also be necessary. **Please note; on PE days children are permitted to come wearing these clothes as they will not be changing in school.**

Please remember that all jewellery must be removed on PE days. Pupils who have recently had their ears pierced should have their earrings covered with micropore tape for safety.

**Water Bottles** ~ Pupils are encouraged to drink **plain water only** throughout the day in class. We would be grateful if you could supply a named water bottle for this purpose every day.

## LITERACY

We will be using Active Literacy within the Literacy and Language programme to help us learn. This term we will be focusing on our initial sounds, phonemes, and alphabet. Our spelling programme has just begun, and the children will be able to spell and read new words soon.

**Please encourage your child to practise; it's very important at this stage.**

We will be looking at a variety of reading books this term to introduce the new words taught in class. Two books each week will be coming home soon with your child. Please listen to and discuss these with them at home every night, as they will be eager to share their new reading material with you. 😊

Here are a few useful websites:

- [Letter formation](#)
- [Jolly Phonics](#)
- [Alphablocks](#)

Our writing genre for this term will be Narrative.

I look forward to working in partnership with you throughout the coming year 😊.