

April 2024

Dear families,

### Term 5 Information for Year 1

We hope that you enjoyed the Easter break. Please see below for important dates and information which will be relevant for this term.

- **P.E.** will be on **Tuesday and Friday**. Please send children to school dressed in their PE kit. We will endeavour to be outside as much as possible, so please ensure children are dressed appropriately for the weather.
- **Reading:** We will change children's reading books **every week on Friday**. Children are expected to read at least 4 times per week. Please record any reading your child does at home in their reading record, as these will be checked by class teachers on a weekly basis – this can just be the date and your name or a smiley face. Each week children have the chance to win a book if they read more than two times. It is vital that children are read with at home as well as in school so that they make expected progress in their reading. Class teachers will be contacting families to check in and see if there is anything we can do to help if reading is not consistently happening at home.
- **Open Door Morning and Phonics Watch:** We invite you to join us for our next Open Door Morning on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April** from 8:25-8:45 to look through the incredible learning Year 1 have been doing over the past term. You are also welcome to stay for a phonics session in your child's classroom from 8:45 – 9:10 to give insight into the way early reading is taught in Year 1 and to support your reading at home. We will be handing out information about the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check following the Open Door Morning.
- **Uniform** – Please ensure children are wearing correct school uniform every day – see the school website for details of this. Ensure all uniform, packed lunches, drink bottles, PE kit, etc. is labelled clearly. We will continue to go outside for break and lunch times as much as possible, so please check the weather forecast to ensure your child is wearing appropriate clothing. As a reminder, the uniform expectations are overleaf.
- **Milk** – Children in Year 1 can pay to have milk at break time. Let your class teacher know if you require a letter.
- **Forest School** – Year 1 are super lucky to have Forest School every Monday throughout Term 5. Please send your child in with wellies and rain suits or rain coats and trousers (named) ready for our first session on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**. These can remain in school on your child's peg for the term. We do have some spare clothing we can lend out, so do speak to a member of the Year 1 team if you have any questions about this.

**Important dates:**

Date	Event
Monday 15 April	INSET Day
Tuesday 16 April	First Day of Term 5
From Tuesday 16 April	Books and Biscuits club (after school for 10 minutes every Tuesday and Thursday)
Friday 26 April	Open Door Day 08.25am-08.50am and Phonics Session from 08.50am
Saturday 27 April	PTA Colour Run Fundraiser
Wednesday 1 May	Whole Class Photos (YR-6) – more information to follow
Monday 6 May	Early May Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Friday 24 May	Last day of Term 5

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 1 team.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 1 Team

## Lower School (Years R – 4)



Jade – King's Oak Academy / plain polo shirt with optional KOA iron on badge.



Navy round neck sweatshirt or cardigan with optional King's Oak Academy iron on badge.

- Jade green gingham dress – **Summer months only** (optional)
- Charcoal Grey Trousers
- Charcoal Grey Shorts
- Pleat Grey Skirt.
- White / Grey Socks
- White / Grey Tights.
- Plain black trainers / black shoes.