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## Newbold Verdon Primary School and Community Centre

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### **Year 1 Newsletter**

Dear parent/ carer,

Welcome back to Year 1! We hope that you have had a happy and safe Christmas. We are excited for the new term and looking forward to seeing the children. We have an exciting term ahead, with a range of activities to support your child's progress and enjoyment in learning. We will keep you updated throughout the term with news and events on Seesaw and through newsletters but here is some information that you need to know at the start of term.

#### **Staff:**

**Teachers:** Miss Kaur and Miss Bowe

**Learning Support Assistants:** Mrs Storer and Miss Dyson teaching phonics.

Here are a few things to help you support your child in Year 1.

**School is open from 8:40 and children need to be sat and ready to learn at 8:50.** Please can you arrive as promptly as possible and school will **finish at 3.15pm.**

**Water bottles** – all children should bring in a named water bottle every day. We ask that all children bring in water to drink.

**Snack** – All Year 1 children will be offered a piece of fruit at afternoon playtime. There is no charge for this. Milk will be issued to those children who have paid for it. Please contact the office if you wish to sign up for milk.

**Reading:** Reading continues to be a priority in Year 1 as children build upon their Phonics knowledge and enjoy reading a range of books in class. Your child's Phonics teacher will send them home with a new Phonics book every week to develop fluency and confidence. They will also bring a book which you can read to or with your child. We encourage you to read together as much as possible. Please could you write in the Reading Diary every time your child reads to an adult. Thank you.



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*'Dragons fly high, show respect and have fun!'*



**Maths** - We are continuing the year by recalling and consolidating knowledge learnt from key topics, whilst proceeding to introduce new learning. We will then be covering pattern and algebra, calculating, numbers and the number system.

## **PE**

**Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday.**

Please make sure that your child's PE kit in school **every** day. Please ensure all clothing is named.

### **PE kit:**

**Indoor:** white T-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls.

**Outdoor:** white T-shirt, warm jogging top, joggers and trainers

We would like to remind you that **no jewellery** should be worn for PE. Ears that are newly pierced may be **covered for the first 6 weeks** (we advise the use of micropore tape rather than plasters to cover ears). After this time, children must be able to remove earrings themselves or not wear them on PE days. This is part of our health and safety policy for all children.

**Forest School:** Every child will have the opportunity to do Forest School every other Wednesday. During this time Miss Kaur and Miss Bowe will be on PPA. Please could you ensure your child have an extra pair of clothes to change into.

**Homework:** Home learning tasks will be set each week. These will be sent home on a **Friday** and should be returned the following **Thursday**. We appreciate your support with helping your child to complete these tasks.

1. Reading – a Phonics book and a Sharing Book
2. Maths homework
3. English homework

In terms of uniform, please ensure that all clothing is named or labelled to prevent jumpers etc being lost. Uniform need to be appropriately worn (especially black school shoes). Please remind your children not to bring toys into school, we don't want to see toys lost, broken or ruined.

We hope that both you and your child to have the best experience at school and we will help in any way that we can to make this possible. Please feel free to talk to us at drop off and pick up times or alternatively through Seesaw with any queries or concerns. We are in the process of securing a year 1 email address for you to contact us directly on.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

With warmest wishes,

Miss Kaur and Miss Bowe  
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Spring 1		Spring 2	
		Famous Queens	
UK			
All about me: animals		Plants	
<u>Narrative</u>  Story- (Jack and the Beanstalk)		<u>Non-fiction</u>  Letter- (Dear Dragon-Josh Funk)	
Who is Jewish and how do they live?		Who is Jewish and how do they live?	
Invasion Games Archery & Target		Racket Games CPD delivered by Sports Coach	
Sculpture and 3d paper play.			
		Textiles: puppets	
Moving a robot		Grouping data	
Keeping Safe		Rights and respect	
Unit 4 Pitch		Unit 5 Music Technology	