



# Welcome to Year One!



We hope you have all had a fun and relaxing summer holiday. Welcome back to school, and to your new class – Maple or Holly.

Below is some information that should help you as you settle into the new school term.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Miss Wallis (Holly Class)  
Miss Arulrasa (Maple Class)

## Staff

### Holly Class

Teacher: Miss Wallis

Higher Level Teaching Assistant: Mrs Ware (Monday pm)

Teacher Assistant: Mrs Stephenson-White (Mon-Fri am)

### Maple Class

Teacher: Miss Arulrasa

Higher Level Teaching Assistants – Mrs Hurrell (Monday pm)

Teaching Assistant: Mrs Bell (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri am)

## Reading

**Reading books** - Our reading scheme is currently being reviewed and improved for this coming academic year. You will receive further information about this soon.

- Please hear your child read as often as you possibly can. When you have read with them, please note down the page they are up to and any relevant comments about how you feel they are getting on with their reading.
- Please let us know if you feel the book is too easy or difficult for your child. Then we will re-assess their level.
- Please do not feel that you have to rush through books or read a book a night. A few pages is often enough and it is important that children have time to discuss the meaning of the book as well as being able to read the words.
- Children read daily as part of their Read, Write, Inc session but will also be heard once every half term by their class teacher and sometimes additionally by teaching assistants and parent helpers. **Please ensure that your child has their reading log and reading book in school every day** so that they can be heard reading as often as possible.
- Children will need to put their completed reading books along with their signed reading records in the provided tray every Wednesday morning to ensure they are given new reading books.

## Homework

Spellings will be gradually introduced during this term and Learning logs (covering a variety of subjects) will start after the October half-term. We will provide more details nearer the time.

### General Reminders...

- The children will be doing PE on: Mondays and Thursdays in Maple class  
- Tuesdays and Thursdays in Holly Class

Please ensure all children have trainers and that P.E kits are fully named and remain in school for P.E days.

### Communication

- If you have any concerns about your child, please feel free to make an appointment to see us after school – or contact us via email.
- Miss Wallis: [Claudia.wallis@firslower.org](mailto:Claudia.wallis@firslower.org)
- Miss Arulrasa: [Kanurshi.arulrasa@firslower.org](mailto:Kanurshi.arulrasa@firslower.org)
- For general queries, please contact the school office.

### Collection arrangements for the end of the day:

Please let us know on the form below how your child will usually be collected/ by whom. It is helpful to know who will regularly be collecting your child. Please telephone or email the office if there are any changes.

### Parent Helpers

After the children have had a few weeks to settle in, we would appreciate any offers of help with hearing readers. Please fill in the form on the following page if you are able to help. Many thanks in advance for your support.

The Year One Team.

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I am able to hear readers on :

Monday 8:45-9:05	Tuesday 8:45-9:05	Wednesday 8:45-9:05	Thursday 8:45-9:05	Friday 8:45-9:05

My child will usually be collected by (name/ kids club/ fordfield)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday