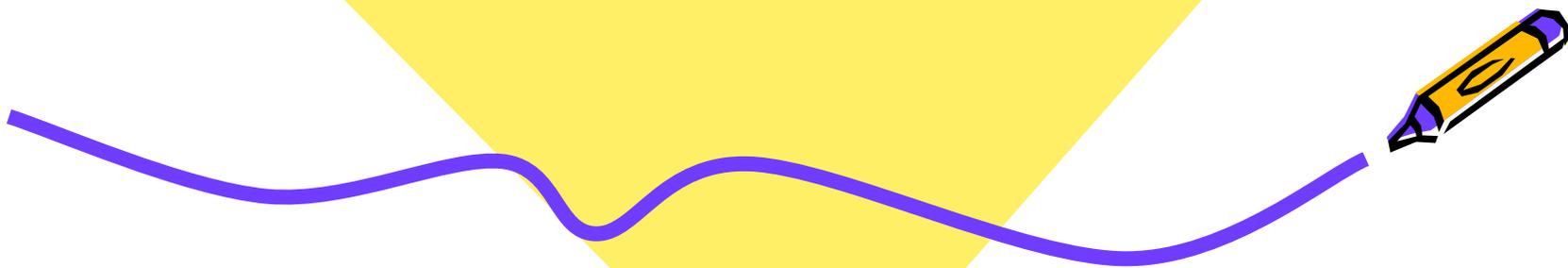
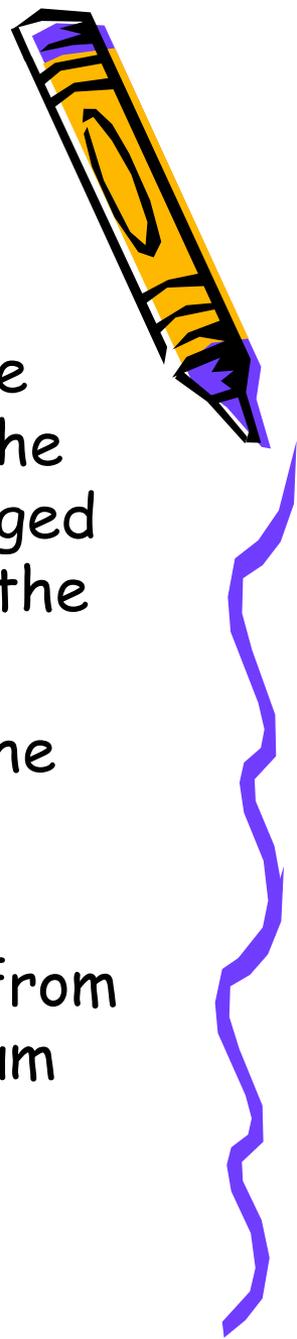


Welcome to Year 1

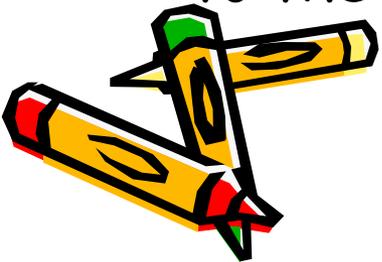


From Reception To Year 1



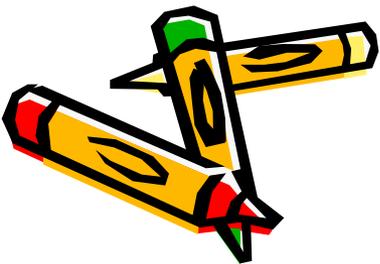
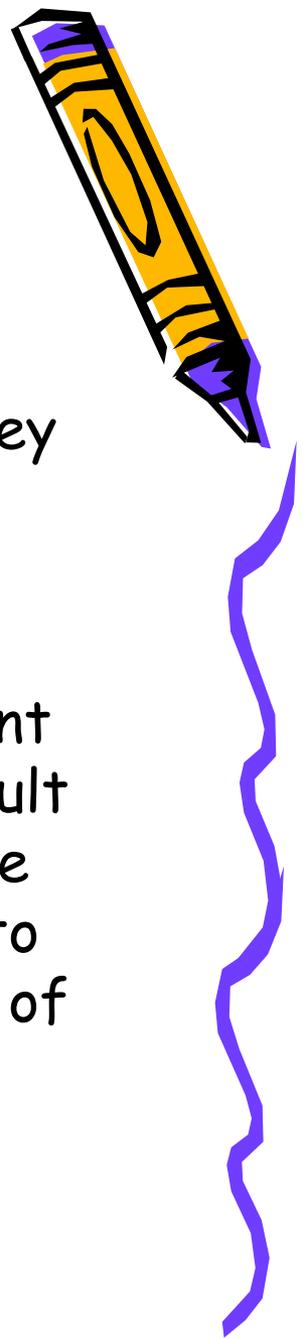
We recognise that Key Stage 1 is different from the Foundation Stage and therefore we aim to manage the transition from Reception to Year 1 in a gradual, staged approach, which allows the children to adapt during the first half of the Autumn Term.

- ❖ The Year 1 classroom will be adapted to reflect the Reception classroom and ensure continuity in September.
- ❖ During the term the children will gradually move from the self directed play based Early Years curriculum to the more formal Key Stage 1 learning style.



To make your child's transition to Year 1 as smooth as possible, even though they will be moving to the new Primary Curriculum, the children will have a mixture of adult led and independent learning opportunities, as they are currently used to in Reception. This will include access to the outside environment and opportunity to develop gross and fine motor skills

As the weeks progress, we will slowly reduce the amount of self chosen learning and start to introduce more adult input and more adult directed tasks. There will be more structured activities where children will be expected to focus for a longer period of time and complete a piece of work as a whole class.

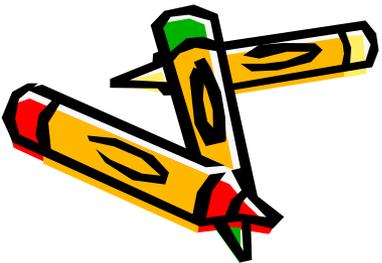


Curriculum Changes

The main difference between Reception and Year 1 is the change of curriculum.

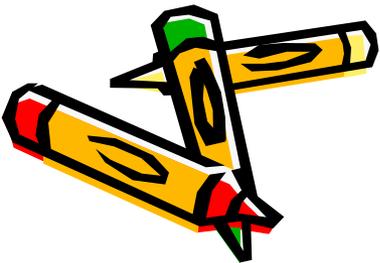
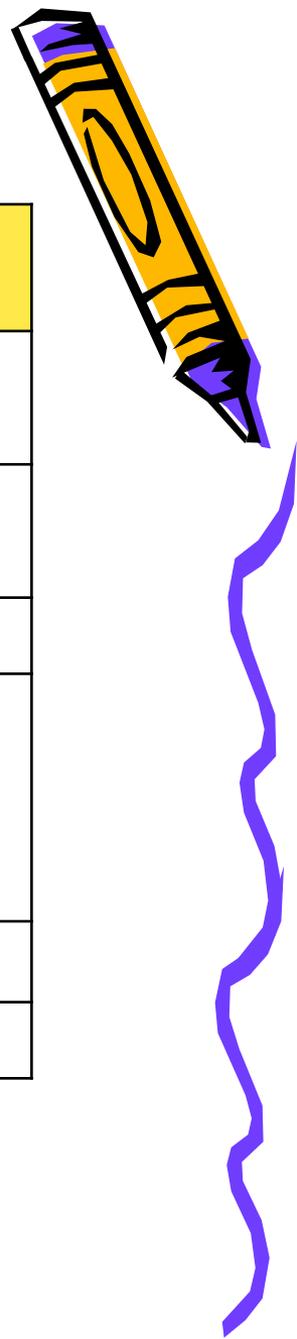
For two years or more, your child, has been following the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum and being assessed against the 7 Areas of Learning.

In Year 1 your child will progress from these 7 Areas of Learning, to the National Curriculum subjects for Key Stage 1.



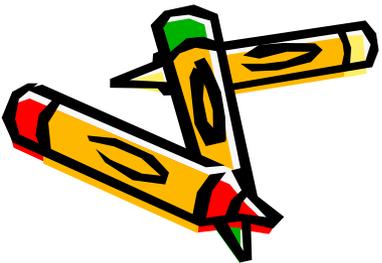
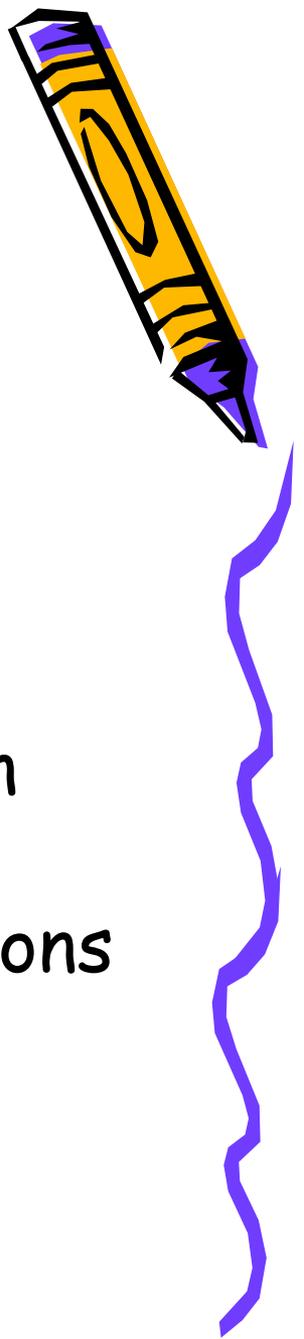
The curriculum will alter as follows:

<u>Early Years Foundation Stage</u>	<u>National Curriculum</u>
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Personal, Social and Health Education and Citizenship
Communication and Language Literacy	Literacy
Mathematics	Maths
Understanding the World	Science, History, Geography, Computing, Design and Technology and Religious Education
Physical Development	Physical Education
Expressive Art and Design	Music and Art



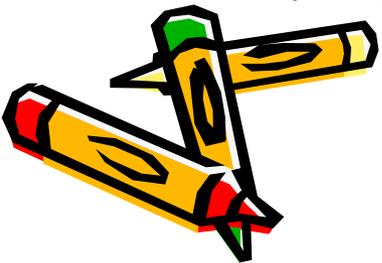
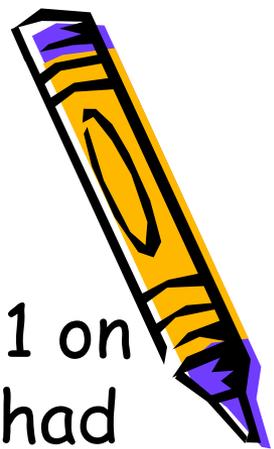
Staff

- Ms Gore & Mrs Stewart - class teachers
- Mrs Watson - teaching assistant
- Mrs Brown - Tuesday afternoons
- Mrs Porter Hough - teaching assistant on Tuesday afternoons and Fridays
- Game On (Coach Andy) - Monday afternoons



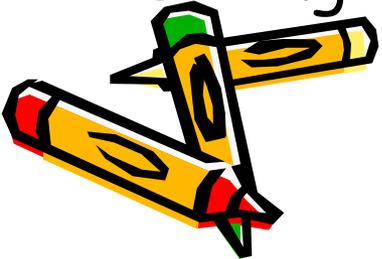
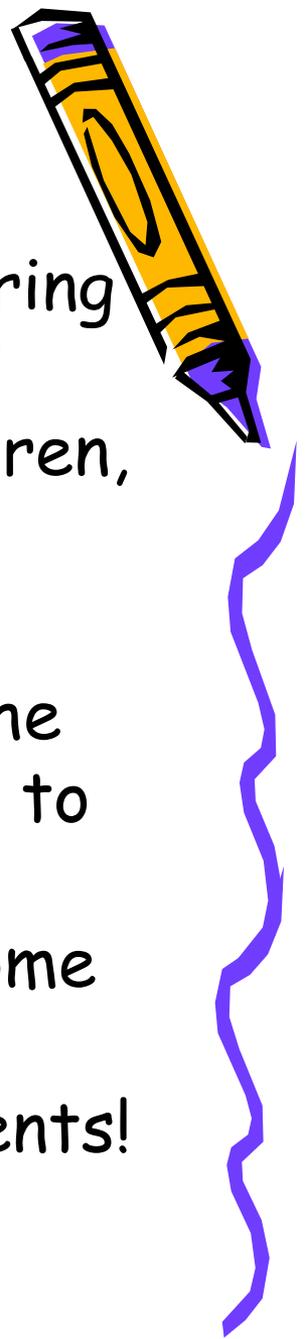
Meeting the children

- The children have already been in to Year 1 on change over day. We sang some songs and had a dance! They had a look around the classroom and did some activities.
- I have also been to Reception to read stories, see some Show & Tell and talk to the children. I will be going to see them in Reception in the next few weeks so I can get to know them and try and remember some names!



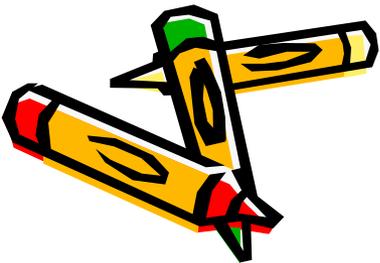
First day - a happy one!

- Please be positive with your children in preparing them for Year 1 and explain to them what will happen ~ talk about the teachers, other children, playtimes, lunches, trying new things, seeing them at the end of the day
- Children will line up on the playground when the bell rings and I will meet them and take them to class.
- Children, even if initially unsettled, soon become distracted by their surroundings and seeing their friends - it's harder for the parents!

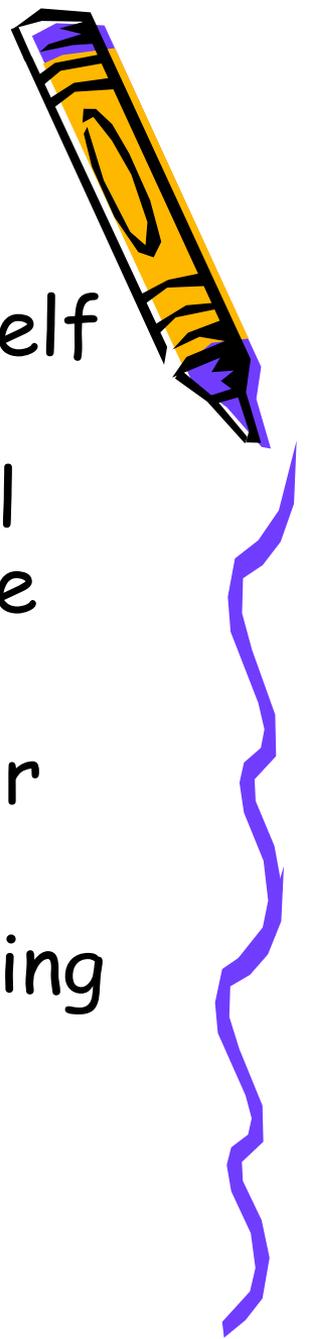


Morning Organisation

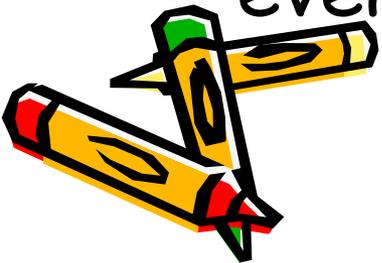
- Please encourage independence by giving them their bags to line up with outside.
- Children need to hang their coats on coat pegs and bring their blue book bags and water bottles into the classroom.
- They enter the classroom, sort out their Book bag and begin Busy Fingers - activities to help co-ordination and control.
- Class will then tidy up and gather on the carpet for registration.



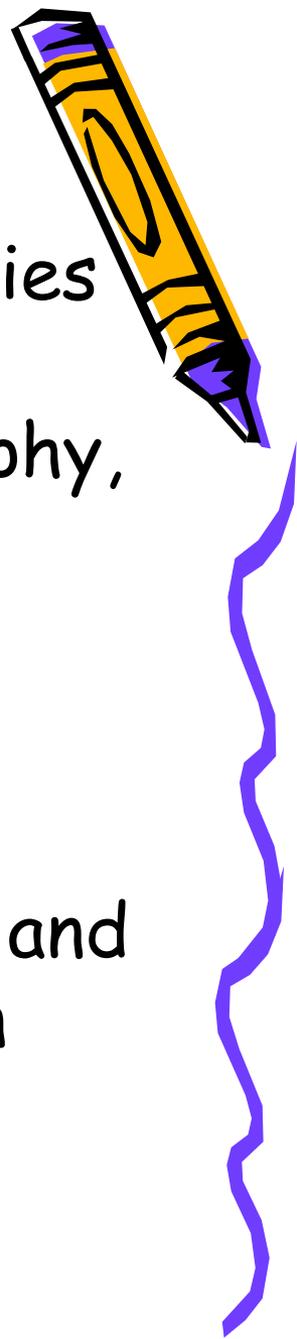
In the Class



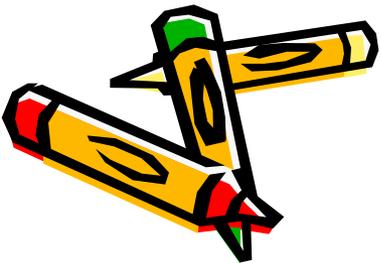
- Children will work independently on self chosen tasks and with an adult on specific adult led activities which will be maths and literacy based. (Science on a Friday)
- Will have opportunity through day for whole class input and discussion
- More information on topics and learning in September's 'Meet the Teacher' evening



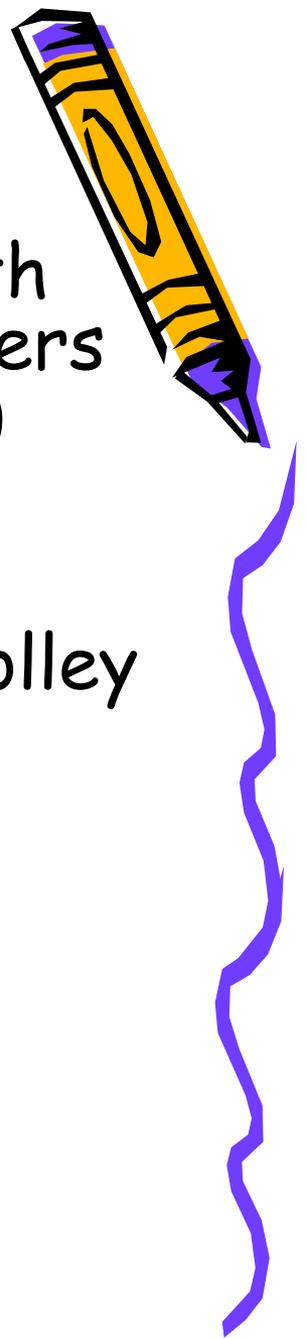
Afternoons



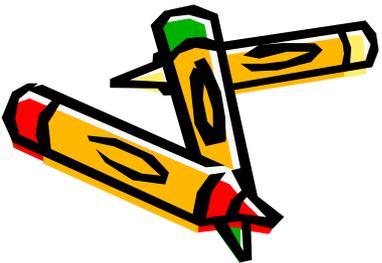
- Adult input followed by child led activities in the afternoons. This will include with R.E, Music, P.S.H.E., Computing, Geography, History, Art, Technology
- P.E. will be taught in the afternoon by Game On coaches
- We always like to come together at the end of the day with a whole class story and meditation or Mindfulness to reflect on our day.



Practical Details

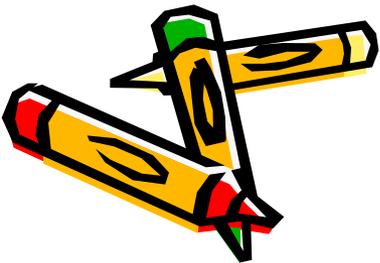
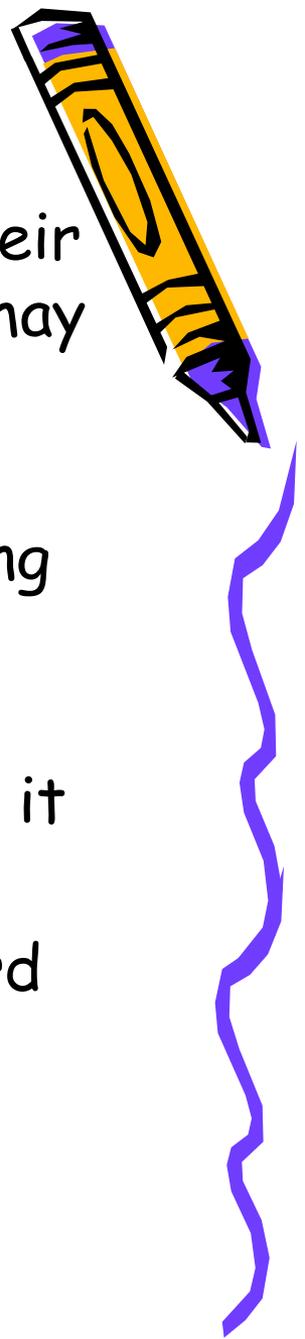


- Please ensure all uniform is labelled with child's name, especially PE kit inc. trainers (navy P.E. T-shirts, shorts and hoodies)
- Children need to bring a coat to school
- Packed lunches in named lunch box (children will put these on the lunch trolley as they come in)
- No chocolate, sweets, fizzy drinks
- Children will need a water bottle with water in which will be kept in the classroom
- We provide fruit for snack time

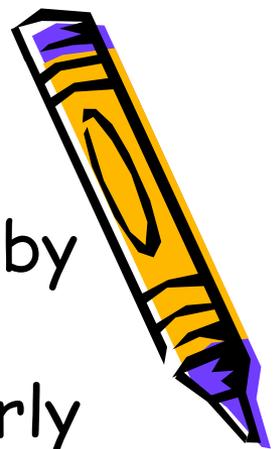


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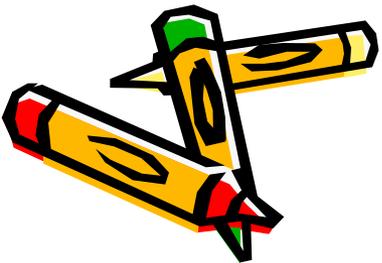
- At the end of the day the children will sit at their tables and come to the door as I call them (It may take some time for me to match the parents to the child!)
- If, for some reason, someone different is picking your child up, please let me know via Link Book.
- If children are regularly going to Home from Home or Pooh Corner let me know and I will add it to the Hometime list
- Children will be very tired initially, school is hard work and they will be on the go the whole day!



Medical Matters



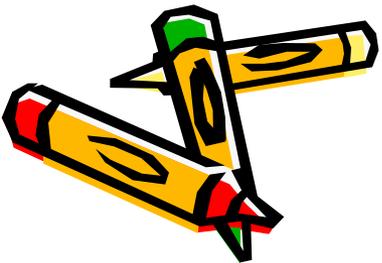
- Any sickness, diarrhoea, must be followed by 48 hrs absence.
- Head lice are common! Please check regularly and treat as recommended.
- Any pre planned absence requires a permission slip being filled in. Any absence due to sickness requires a telephone call before 9:00am explaining why. We are required to follow up any unexplained absences.
- Any medicines can only be administered if they are prescribed by a doctor and by prior arrangement with the office staff.



In General



- We operate an open door policy and are always pleased to see any parent requiring information or advice.
- Best time to catch me is after school on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday
- Please use the Link Book as well for any notes or comments - these are checked every day.



- There will be a 'Meet the Teacher' meeting in the first week back in September (Wednesday 4th September at 6.00 and 6.30 p.m.) to talk about the topics and timetables
- Any questions?

Thank you for coming

