



Welcome to Ants class
'Working together and helping each other learn'
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*'Do unto others as
you would have them
do to you'*

(Luke 6:31)

Dear Parents.

I hope you have all had a lovely time over the summer and I am sure you are now ready to start the new school year.



What to bring when.....

Please make sure your child has their book bag every day.

PE - Tuesday and Friday

Monday - Library books

Yr1 Homework - Thursday

Friday spellings

Daily - Reading Books

Patterns

Our topic this term is '**Patterns**'. Patterns are all around us through colour, number, shapes, stories and even animals skins which help them camouflage. We will be exploring pattern though out our creative curriculum.

English

We will be exploring various stories which have repeating text and rhyme. The children will be creating their own versions of the stories and using computing to create colourful books.

Year 1 will be continuing to follow the 'Letters and Sounds' phonics programme. Should you need help recognising what sound each diagraph or phoneme makes please look on :-<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/reading-site/expert-help/phonics-made-easy> (say the sound)

Reminders

Water Bottles

Please bring in a named water bottle, with a sports cap which can be taken home each day, washed and refilled. The children have access to these at all times and are also reminded regularly to have a drink.

Reading Books We will be continuing to encourage all of the children to improve their reading skills during their individual and group reading sessions. I would appreciate your support by reading with your child at least three times a week at home. It really makes a huge difference to their progress and confidence.

Homework

Spellings: These are given weekly for your child to share with you at home. Please see inside the Spelling Book front cover for ways that you can support your child's learning at home.

Maths: A selection of Times Table and Number Bond activities are given each term. Please see your child's Home Learning book for more details

RE, Science and Topic: related Home Learning tasks are given termly. Full details will be provided with each task



Transition

Year 1 children will be building upon and extending the experiences they have had in Reception. Learning through play will continue to be an important part of the school day, and the children will gradually be eased into more formal learning as the year goes on so that they remain motivated, enthused and eager learners. Please don't hesitate to come and see me after school if you have any questions or queries.

