

# Welcome to Year I



# Working together to improve school attendance





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Persistent school absence is one of the most significant ongoing impacts of the pandemic.

We know that the highest attendance rates are linked with the best outcomes at all key stages.

Even missing small amounts of education can mean a child misses important sections of the curriculum and may therefore struggle to learn concepts that are built on what they missed.



#### Working together to improve school for Education attendance

Your child's attendance percentage will decrease from one of the following:

- Illness
- Medical appointments
- Term time holidays
- School visits



### Working together to improve school

It is vital that children are in school as much as possible.

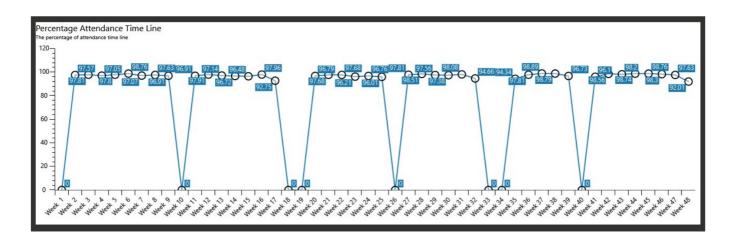
Please book medical appointments during holidays or after school where possible.

The Chief Medical Officer set out in his letter to school leaders on mild illness and school attendance:

> "It will usually be appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses...a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat, [but not] if they have a temperature of 38°C or above."



Please <u>do not</u> take children out of school for a holiday or return late after a holiday. These days will be unauthorised.





#### Working together to Department improve school for Education attendance

• Thank you in advance for your support. We want to work in partnership and ensure that your child receive a full and outstanding education.

# **LEARNING** LOVE LAUGHTER



Please support our school financially so that it can continue to deliver an exceptional education to each child.

#### PTFA CONTRIBUTION SINCE SEPTEMBER 2022



### HOW MUCH DOES THE PTFA NEED TO RAISE?

#### Where do my donations go?

Every year the PTFA contributes funds specifically for the schools' **SPECIALIST STAFF**, in particular:

- Art, language, music and PE Teachers
- Teaching Assistants

This enables exceptional level teaching, and specialists that are not the norm in Government-Funded schools.

Your donations have also contributed across the following categories:

#### PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

- ullet KS1 construction blocks & sandpit
- EYS playground games, toys and roleplay sets

#### RESOURCES

- ICT equipment
- Musical instruments and lessons
- Books and kindles
- · Creative resources and crafts
- Netball posts and equipment
- Storage facilities

#### INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES

 LED lighting and classroom improvements £20 PER CHILD PER MONTH WOULD GENERATE £120K FOR THE SCHOOL EACH YEAR



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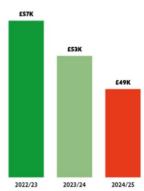


#### **ANNUAL DONATIONS ARE DECLINING**

Please support us by setting up a Direct Debit. This helps to raise the total level of donations, and assist with our Financial Planning.

JUST £20 PER MONTH PER CHILD WILL RAISE £120K FOR THE SCHOOL EACH YEAR!

#### ANNUAL DONATIONS



#### **This Autumn Term**

Your donations are needed to fund:

- · Specialist teaching staff and TA's
- · New handwashing facilities for pupils
- Further investment in ICT equipment
- LED lighting replacements for failing lights





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### SOME EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO THE PTFA CAN MAKE HAPPEN:



























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### Meet the Year I Team



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Mrs McKenzie



Mr Hubbard



Ms Taboas



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# Meet the Key Stage I Team



Miriam inside lunch supervisor



Youssef outside lunch supervisor



Lama KSI support staff



Miss Dyson Y2 teacher



Mr Satterthwaite Y2 teacher/KSI Lead

Addition Staff Members



Miss Warner music teacher



Ms Kwee PE teacher



Mr Parkin cover teacher



Ms Smith SENDco



Ms Jepson head teacher



Ms Richards deputy head



Mrs Huxley deputy head

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### Morning routine

The gates opens at 8.35am.

The doors open at 8.40am.

Teacher will be in class teaching at this time.

The children should walk into school independently. They are doing brilliantly with this routine.

Any important messages can be emailed to class teachers before school.

You do not need to queue! Please all wait in the playground.

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### Reading

We really want to help your children become fluent readers.

Researchers in the United States who had looked at the impact of parents reading with their children quoted the following figures in a news release about their findings:

Here's how many words kids would have heard by the time they were 5 years old: Never read to, 4,662 words; 1–2 times per week, 63,570 words; 3–5 times per week, 169,520 words; daily, 296,660 words; and five books a day, 1,483,300 words. 16

The only effective route to closing this gap is for children to be taught systematically to read as soon as they start school. In this way, they do not have to rely on adults. Children who become engaged in reading can make huge progress in their literacy development simply through their independent reading, whatever the nature of their early experiences.

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Please read 5 times a week at home with your child. It does not need to be the whole book every time!

It will make a substantial difference to their confidence, enjoyment and attainment in reading.

We collect the journals every **Wednesday**. They will be returned on **Thursday**.

If you've read with your child 5 times and written the comments in the journal they get a special sticker! If they get one every week they become a gold reading champion!

We read frequently with your child, as a class, in groups and I:I. Please check journal for notes.













The children receive two decodable books, two colour levelled books and one library book weekly.

These are changed on a Friday.

Please keep your child's books and journal in their bag all week.

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### Reading

Children should be reading books independently that they can comfortably decode and comprehend them. This gives them confidence and achievement, and hopefully this leads to a love of reading.

To move up we check that on a rocket phonics decodable book, that they:

- o can read comfortably and fluently with an accuracy of about 95% +.
- o can understand what they have read e.g. they can answer comprehension questions and summarise the story
- o can sound out unknown words and blend them as a primary strategy to decode
- o are not just guessing lots of words nor sounding out words and not blending them accurately

If they are doing all this on the colour level they are on, we try them on the next colour level up to see if they can

- oread with 90-95% accuracy
- oread with some fluency
- ounderstand most of what they have read







### Home learning

Home learning is sent on SchoolComms via the newsletter on a Friday afternoon.

The template is very similar to the Reception one. We communicate key messages through this and discuss current and future learning.

The home learning books should be handed in on a <u>Thursday</u> morning in the boxes outside the classrooms (in the playground).

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# KSI routines Spellings

- Common exception word assessment will take place this week.
- You will get a spelling card like this. Words highlighted are words they spelt accurately on this occasion.
- Termly assessments take place going forward
- o These are words where the phonics rules taught either don't apply or haven't yet been taught.

#### YI Rocket Phonics Common Exception Words

go	1	<mark>into</mark>	<mark>no</mark>	<mark>the</mark>	to
<mark>all</mark>	<mark>are</mark>	<mark>be</mark>	<mark>he</mark>	<mark>her</mark>	<mark>me</mark>
<mark>my</mark>	<mark>she</mark>	<mark>they</mark>	<mark>was</mark>	<mark>we</mark>	you
come	<mark>do</mark>	have	<mark>like</mark>	<mark>one</mark>	out
said	<mark>s0</mark>	some	there	were	what
when	again	any	asked	<mark>because</mark>	called
could	eyes	friends	laughed	looked	many
Mr	Mrs	oh	once	people	please
their	thought	though	water	where	who
					little

#### Additional YI National Curriculum Common Exception Words

a	today	of	says	is	<mark>his</mark>
<mark>has</mark>	your	by	here	love	<mark>school</mark>
put	<mark>push</mark>	pull	full	house	our



# Spellings

### Weekly spelling quiz will start next half term.

In YI the children receive eight spelling words to learn each week, for a test the following Friday. These words are based on the phonic sounds that they have learned in class that week.

Please practise each word twice on the sheet below and carry out further practise at home, in whatever way works best for you and your child (rainbow writing, flashcards, typing on a device etc.). Practising little and often daily at home will really help!

Good luck!

few	
stew	
news	
pew	
grew	
chewed	
threw	
screw	

YI Weekly Spelling Test

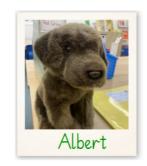
1	
2	
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5 6	
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7	
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Please look at your child's spelling test with them each week and celebrate their efforts! Please also revisit any words that are spelled incorrectly.

Words including the above sounds can now be expected to be spelled correctly during independent writing.



### Star of the week





Every week we choose a 'Star of the Week' in each class. This child gets to take home the class mascot and the mascot diary.

They can add pictures, photographs and writing to the diary to share with the class the following week.



Please return the mascot and diary on Monday morning. A

### Volunteer system

Parent support sessions will take place at <u>1.30 - 3.00pm on Monday and Thursdays</u>.

This system has started today.

Thank you to those who volunteered.

In Year I we target children to read rather than all the children reading.

# Small changes

We will shortly be changing the layout of the classroom for the children.

They will have their own desk and chair!

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### Autumn term timetable



8.40- 9.00am: Morning warm up

9.00 - 10.00am: English lesson

10.00 - 10.15am: Break

10.15 - 11.15am: Maths lesson

II.15 - II.30am: Assembly

II.30 - II.50am: Phonics

🕍 | 11.50 – 12.10pm: Guided reading

12.15 - 1.15pm: Lunch



1.15 - 2.15pm: Learning themes or science lesson

2.15 - 2.50pm: Free flow learning

2.50 - 3.05pm: Handwriting

3.05 - 3.15pm: Get ready for home and end of the day session.

### Timetable

Indoor PE and computing lessons are on a Wednesday afternoon. Please can children come in wearing their uniform and have their PE kit in a bag.

Outdoor PE and music are on a Thursday morning. Please can children come in wearing PE kit and have uniform in a bag.

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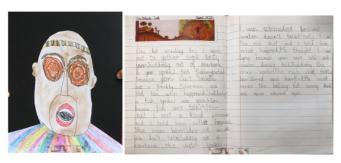
# YI curriculum themes

Autumn term: Homes

Spring term 1: Kings, queens and spies

Spring term 2: Pirates, plans and adventures

Summer term: Africa







#### Year I – Homes – Autumn

#### handwriting



Owen the Owl



making bedrooms



historical artefacts





observational drawings

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Website

Please use it!

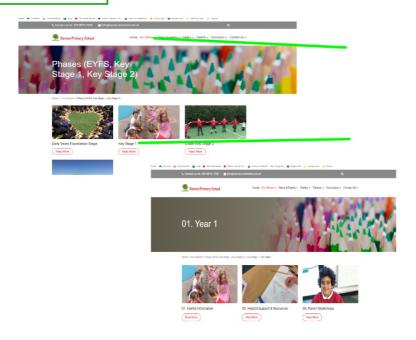
#### Website

Curriculum maps so you can see what will be being taught.

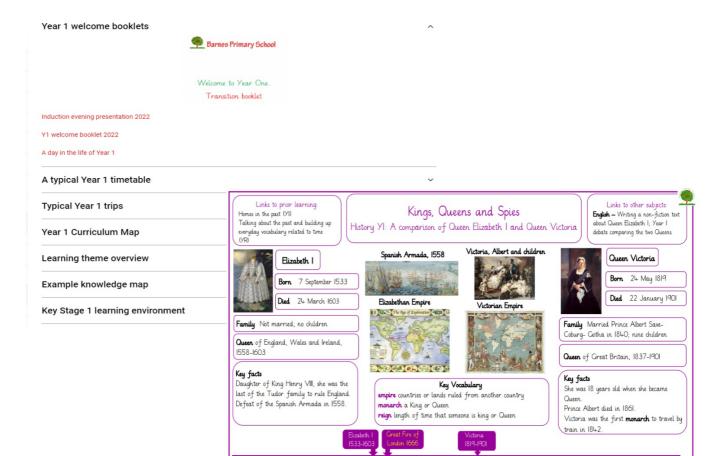


TERM 1A Number: Place value		TERM 1B  Number: Addition and subtraction Geometry: Properties of shapes		TERM 2A Number: Place value Number: Addition and subtraction		N Number
To know the symbol + means add/plus.	line, and use the language of: equal to, more than, less than	be picked up.  To know 2D shapes	To be able to recognise and name common 2D and 3D shapes.		line, and use the language of: equal to, more than, less than	
To know numbers get	(fewer), most, least.	cannot be picked up.	including: 2D shapes		(fewer), most, least.	

#### Website



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### Teaching of phonics

We have 5 phonics sessions a week. The lessons are very similar to the ones in Reception.



The children will learn weekly sounds and how to use this sound knowledge when reading and spelling.

They will be given 8 words to practise spelling each week.

Help at home by recapping the focus sounds/words.

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# Phonics help at home

Coming soon!

This will provide you with ideas of how to support at home.

## Teaching of maths

Helping at home this half term

Number recognition

Number formation

Counting

One more and one less

Number bonds to all numbers within 10

Linking maths to real life



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# Teaching of writing



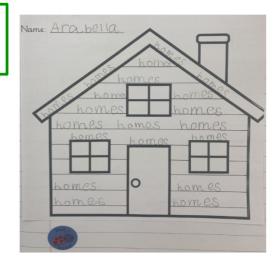
- Writing units (3/4 weeks long)
- Carefully scaffolded process
- Teaching the children to edit
- Simple sentences with capital letters and full stops

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# Teaching of handwriting

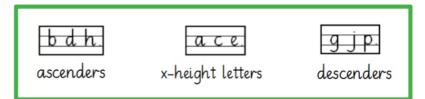
Forming each letter correctly

Sitting letters on the line with clear ascenders and descenders



Keeping letters consistently sized

Forming digits correctly



Please go on the website for a presentation and 'how to' videos.





# Teaching of handwriting

Please go on the website for a presentation and 'how to' videos. and helpful resources.

<u>S</u>	Back over the hill, curl around the snake.	<u>ä</u>	Back over the hill, curl up, down and flick.	<u>t</u>	Down and flick. Cross from left to right.
<u>i</u>	Down and flick. Dot.	<u>p</u>	Down through the line, up and all the way round.	<u>n</u>	Down, bridge and flick.
<u>m</u>	Down, bridge, bridge, flick.	<u>d</u>	Back over the hill, curl up, all the way to the top, down and flick.	ğ	Back over the hill, curl up, down through the line and hook.
<u>Õ</u>	Back over the hill and all the way round.	<u>Č</u>	Back over the hill and curl.	<u>k</u>	Down from the top, a little bit up, make a bow and flick.
<u>e</u>	Diagonally up, back over the hill and curl.	u	Down, bowl, down and flick.	<u>~</u>	Down, over half a bridge and flick

#### Forming the letters

To ensure the children have consistency when learning to form the letters, we teach how we form the letters in a certain way

To see how we teach the letters, you can either watch the videos below or click here to see a document with the wording we u

Forming curved letters

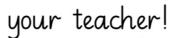


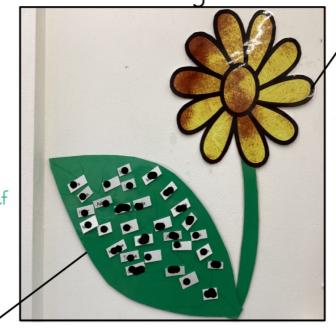
Forming letters that start by going down





You have really impressed





The Golden Flower

The Green Leaf

You are ready to learn!

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#### The ZONES of Regulation Red Zone Blue Zone Green Zone Yellow Zone Sad Happy Worried overjoyed/Elated Bored Frustrated Panicked Focused Tired (alm Silly Angry Sick Proud Excited Terrified

- 1. discuss emotions
- 2. identify emotions
- 3. identify ways to help get back into the green zone

Good website with lots of resources!

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### A friend is who you play with.

- friend is who you like and sometimes you have playdates with them
- A friend is who you play with in your house.
- friend is who you play with every single day.

- A friend is who you like playing with and sometimes chat to them. ie Friends mean you are really kind to them and you can make new friends. a A friend is someone that if they are sad you can help them and cheer them up aybe playing with them.
- A friend is when you play with them.
- A friend is someone who keeps you company and sometimes plays ball games with you nets or the sandpit.
- A friend is when you play with someone you really want to play with.
- A friend maybe keeps you happy
- A friend is someone who you play with.
- A friend is someone you play with but if you're mean to them they might go away.

   A friend is someone that you really like.

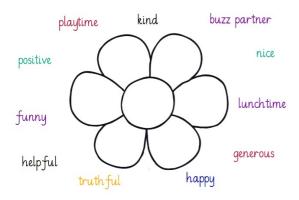
#### How do your friends make you feel?

happy cheerful jolly proud calm excited thrilled overjoyed



My friends make me feel when they

### Friendship flower





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Thank you for attending.
We look forward to a great year ahead!



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