Welcome to Year 1

1.1: Mrs Noakes, Mrs Philips, Ms lowde

1.2: Miss Keenan, Mrs Marsh, Ms Chung, Ms lowde

PPA (Thursday morning): Ms Christmas

Our Leaders



Miss Prickett
Executive
Headteacher



Mrs Ritchie
Deputy Headteacher



Miss Christmas
Senior Assistant
Headteacher



Mrs Bridges
Assistant
Headteacher Inclusion



Mrs Parker Reception
/ Nursery Lead

The school day:

- Class doors open at 8.35 and close at 8.45 for registration
- Break time is from 10.00 to 10.15am
- Lunch is from 12.00 to 1.00pm
- School finishes at 3.15pm
- Our PE day is **Tuesday** and **Friday**
- If you need to contact us our year group email is: Year1@howedell.herts.sch.uk *please note this is not monitored during teaching hours*
- You may also leave messages with the school office

The essentials:

Please:

- Make sure your child is on time each day so that they are ready to learn
- Ensure that your child's suitably sized book bag contains all that they need for the day ahead
- Provide your child with a named water bottle
- Ensure that your child has indoor shoes in school at all times
- Print your child's name on all of their clothing

Uniform



White polo shirt | Navy jumper | Navy cardigan

- Navy school sweatshirt or cardigan with logo
- White polo shirt (can be with logo or plain white)
- Grey trousers, skirt, pinafore or tailored shorts of an appropriate length. *Leggins are not part of our school uniform*
- Plain black, grey, white or navy socks. Tights may be grey or navy blue. *Over the knee socks are not part of our school uniform*
- Yellow and white gingham dress (*this is an optional item and should only be worn in the summer term and first part of the autumn term)*
- Warm coat(during cold weather)



Navy joggers | Grey trousers | Grey pinafore



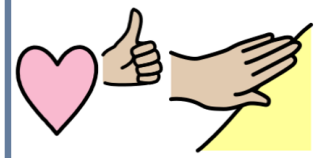
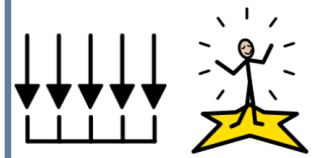
Grey skirt

- PE uniform:
- School PE t-shirt (with logo)
- Plain black / navy shorts (not cycling shorts)
- Plain navy tracksuit or jogging bottoms
- Plain navy tracksuit top or hoodie
- Trainers (Velcro or laces)



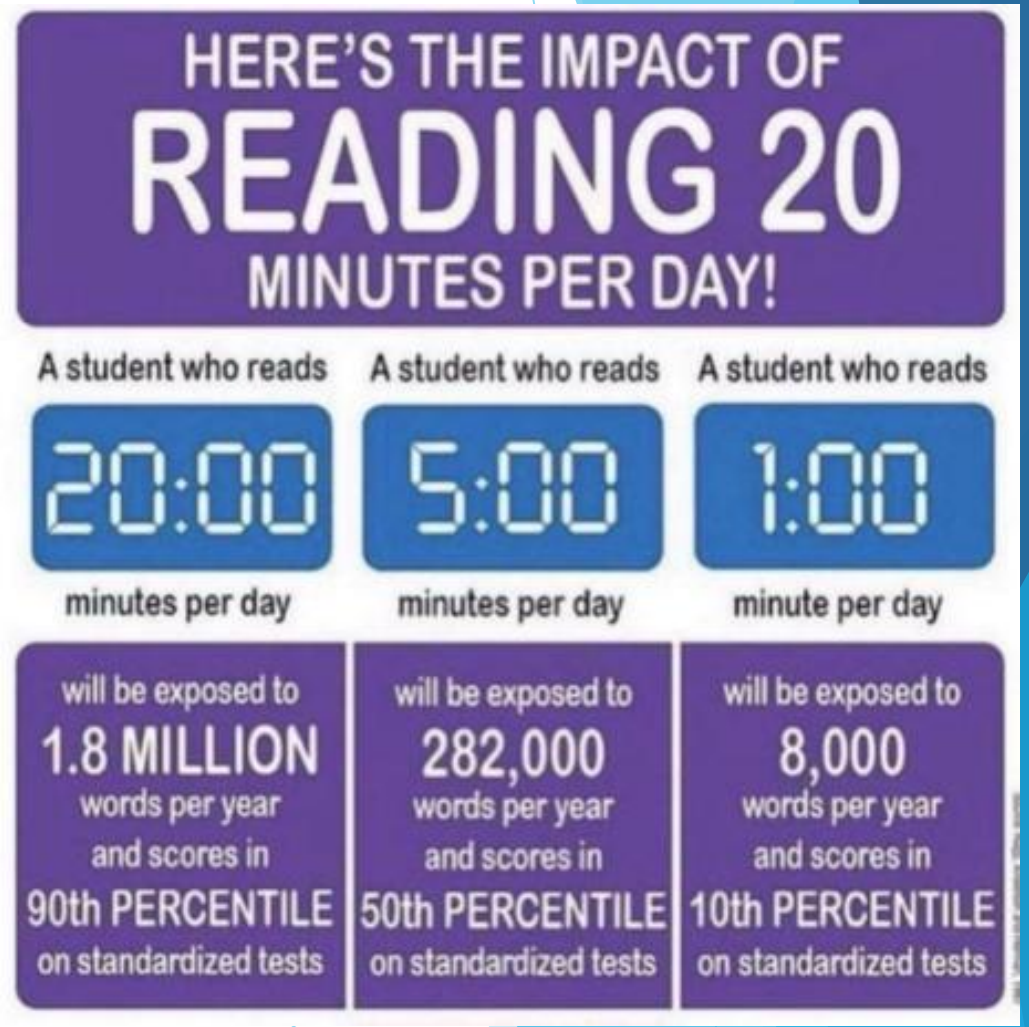
Black plimsolls | Boys outdoor shoes | Girls outdoor shoes

Our Golden Expectations

Show respect (to everyone and everything)	
Be kind and helpful	
Be honest	
Be gentle	
Give everything 'a go!'	

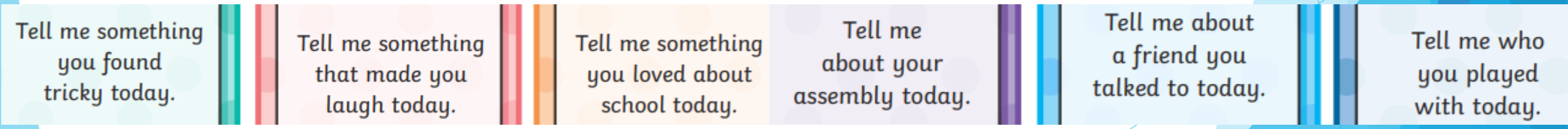
Reading

- 85% of the school curriculum requires reading to access it.
- Your child will have an allocated reading book and a sharing book
- Listen to your child read their book at home
- Choose a quiet time without distractions
- Feedback on their reading in your child's Reading Diary
- Look through their sharing book together – this is something they have chosen for their enjoyment and for you to read to them



Home Learning

- We will be focussing on reading, spellings and times tables this year for home learning. Information will be sent out weekly on a Friday
- Suggestions for reading linked to our wider curriculum (geography, history, science etc.) can be accessed through Curriculum Visions. Details of what to read will be put on Google Classrooms.
- https://www.howedell.herts.sch.uk/home-learning/



E Safety Agreement: a duty of care for parents and circulated annually at Howe Dell

Please return by **this Friday** 11th September



- Please visit https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers for more information or resources on e-safety
- Be responsible for internet access for your child through computers, phones, tablets and games consoles!
- **Do you know what your child is doing online at friends' houses?**

Our weekly timetable:

	8.50-9.30	9.30-10.00		10-10.15	10.20-11:10	11.10-12	12-1	1-1:10	1:10 – 1:25	1.30-2.15	2.15-2.45	2.45-3.00	3-3.15
Mon	Assembly	Phonics	CUSP Reading	Break	English	Maths	Lunch	ERIC	Fluency	CUSP Reading (Even weeks) (Handwriting on odd)	Science		Story/home time
Tues	Phonics	Handwriting	Reading Practice		English	Maths		ERIC	Fluency	RE	PE		
Wed	Phonics	Handwriting	Reading Practice		English	Maths		ERIC	Fluency	Geography History Computing		Singing	
Thurs	Phonics	Handwriting	CUSP Reading		English	Maths		ERIC	Fluency	Music -- Library	Art -- DT		
Fri	Assembly	Phonics	Reading Practice		English	Maths		ERIC	Handwriting	PSHE	PE		

Curriculum Flyer

English

This term will begin with a whole school focus using The Tree and the River. We will also write labels, lists & captions as well as poetry. We will be revising our phase 2 and 3 phonics and begin to learn phases 5 phonics using the Little Wandle scheme.

PE

This term we will be teaching the following units:

- Gymnastics
- Fundamentals
- Dance
- Ball Skills

Maths

We will be covering many skills this term, including: positional language, representation of number, using part, part whole models, addition and subtraction, making 10 and some more and doubling and halving.

Science

Seasonal change and trees: We will learn about the 4 seasons and the weather. We will explore the parts of a tree and learn about the different types of tree.
Animals including humans We will learn about the different types of animal, their features and what animals eat.

Howe Dell SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2026
Year 1

Welcome to our Autumn Term Curriculum Flyer, showing an overview of our learning this term. Please use this information to support a discussion of learning with your child at home. If you have any concerns please contact us: year1@howedell.herts.sch.uk

Computing

Computing systems and networks: We will be learning about technology around us and how to use a computer safely. We will develop our mouse and keyboard skills.
Digital Safety: We will be understanding how to ask for help with pop ups, unreliable information and strangers online.

PSHE

Kapow Families and relationships
We will learn about different types of families and how to build friendships and work through problems.
Health and wellbeing We will learn about healthy eating, sun safety, importance of sleep and personal hygiene.

RE

In RE this half term we are learning about showing respect. We will learn about how Christians believe the world was created and the creation story. After half term we will be learning about the Christmas story in Christianity.

History/Geography

History – Events within living memory: We will learn about how we have changed and how our local area has changed.
Geography – Continents, oceans, countries and capital cities: We will learn the names of continents, oceans, and the countries and seas of the UK.

Music

In Music this term we will be studying Hey You! *by Joanna Mangona* which is an old-school hip hop tune.
We will also listen to Rhythm In The Way We Walk (reggae style) and Banana Rap (hip hop style) by Joanna Mangona and Jane Sebba.

Art /D&T

Art – Drawing and painting: We will be learning how to use different drawing techniques by exploring a range of different materials and tools.
D&T – Mechanisms and Structures: Building up the skills to create a pop-up/moving picture through design and problem solving.

School website – where to find further information about what we are learning

https://www.howedell.herts.sch.uk/

We now have Instagram and Facebook – follow us for the latest updates

Parental engagement:

Autumn

Meet the teacher sessions
New to Year 6 meeting
Parent consultations
Harvest assembly
Remembrance assembly
Christingle
Key Stage 1 Christmas production
School improvement meetings
Year group coffee mornings
Early years stay and read
SEND coffee mornings
Author of the month assembly
Little Wandle phonic workshops

Spring

Live learning
Class assemblies
EYFS Spring Spectacular
School improvement meetings
Year group coffee mornings
Early years stay and read
SEND coffee mornings
Author of the month assembly
Little Wandle phonic workshops

Summer

Early years stay and play
Parent consultations
Class assemblies
Year 6 leavers production
Year 6 leavers assembly
School improvement meetings
Year group coffee mornings
Early years stay and read
SEND coffee mornings
Author of the month assembly
Sports day
Art festival

Dates will be shared through dates for diaries and there is further information on our website

Key Dates for Year 1

Parent consultations – Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd December

Year 1 Live learning – English –TBC (Spring term)

Christmas production – 8th December 9.15 and 14.00

1.1 Class assembly Tuesday 22nd June 9:15

1.2 Class assembly – Tuesday 29th June 9:15

Do you have any questions for us?